# Ps vote for boycott of Olympics by majority of 168

victory in the Commons it when its motion calling tish boycott of the Moscow Games was supported by

ernment scored a morale- An Opposition motion which, in effect, urged that British athletes be allowed to make up their own minds about going to Moscow, was defeated by 305 votes to 188, a S to 147, a majority of 168. Government majority of 117.

## No lorale boost for Government

ry Correspondent

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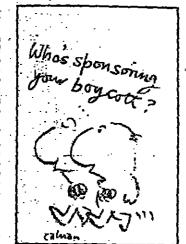
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gird to put the Govast without any new bolster his flagging There was nothing



Nor was there any further wor, was there any lutter information from Sir Ian about agreement, or even lack of it, with our partners over what the response should be to the Russian invasion of Afghanis-

The only new development was a minor back-pedalling over the autouncement that no extra leave would be given to allow athletes in government service to take part in the Moscow games. Sir Ian told the House there would be no additional paid leave allowed and that whether any government em-ployees took unpaid leave would depend on the requirements of their job
The Soviet Union, said Sir Ian, saw the games as a propa-

ganda exercise from which they hoped to derive great advantage. The Government believed that non-participation offered. Western countries the single most effective way of bringing home to the Soviet regime and the Russian people our refusal

to accept their occupation of Afghanistan The numerous amendments ell the House about to the Government motion on secure alternative both sides of the House, agreete games and nothing ang only in their call for Soviet objective, Mr Shore concluded, r British action to withdrawal and condemnation had been turned by incompess that they were not of the invasion, indicated the perence and mishandling into a peing asked to make wide range of views: but perhaps the most startling diver
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gence from the official line came from Mr Shore, Opposi-tion spokesman on Foreign Affairs, who opened the debate with a speech indicating that he would have been happier

For the world community to send their athletes to Moscow seud their athletes to Moscow now would be interpreted by the Soviet people, or interpreted for them, as international acceptance and approval of the Soviet Union and its policies, Mr Shore said.

He found repugnant the image of British athletes at the opening and final ceremonies or whenever British success was

supporting the Government's

or whenever British success was secured, parading with the flag and authem and paying collect-ive response to the leaders of the Soviet Union.

It certainly sounded much stronger stuff than anything produced by Sir lan and Mr Shore's words brought an in-stant horrified response from Mr Eric Heffer, Labour MP for Liverpool, Walton.

Was the party's spokesman telling the House that if all the Western countries agreed, then Britain ought to stay away from Moscow? That, Mr Heffer said. was contrary to a widely held view on the Labour benches and in the mass of the Labour movement.
Mr Shore accepted that there

were different views but pointed out that there was a free vote. He was giving his personal view. But he went on to condemn the Government for not having correctly followed up the Prime Minister's first statement on January 17. There was no con-sultation with the British Olympics Committee and nothing was done effectively to win support either abroad or at home. The House, he added, had heard nothing about alternative sites or about screement with our principal allies.

In such circumstances he would not recommend a british boycott. What had started as a reasonable and widely shared objective, Mr Shore concluded,



Blind manhandled: A blind protest marcher is gripped by a Delhi policeman while another officer swings a bamboo club at him. The march, held near the Prime Minister's residence, and attended by about 500 blind people

jobs should be made available to the blind. Police action at the demonstration resulted in about 100 of the demonstrators being injured and a Government statement issued in the Indian Parliament yesterday expressing doubts about the incident led to uproar.

ings within three weeks.

Angry Opposition MPs walked out of both Houses and Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, told the Lower House she was sorry about the brutality. She has appointed a judge to lead an inquiry and submit his find-

#### Dollar soars in response to Carter package

By Caroline Atkinson

a resounding welcome yester-day to President Carter's anti-inflation measures. The dollar soured against all major cur-rencies and pushed the gold price down \$51. Money poured into America as speculators chased the still higher interest rates expected to result from the new measures.

However, reaction was not so enthusiastic in America. Wall Street prices fell, and some business economists complained that the Carter package was

of its European gains when markets opened in New York. The pound held up extremely well against other currencies. After falling by nearly 5 cents

Currency markets throughout it recovered to close in London Europe and the Far East gave at \$2.1850, down 2.95 cents from Friday. In trade weighted terms a strong rise yesterday against West German and other European currencies left sterling down overall by only 0.1 points, at 72.2 per cent of its end 1971 value. The glitter has now gone out

> of gold. Yesterday's fall of 551 an ounce took it to its lowest level since before Christmas. At \$479 at the London close, gold was only a little more than half the peak price it touched in late January.
> It has fallen sharply in the

past few days in reaction to the rising dollar. Investors are less keen to leave their money in gold, earning no interest, when

on dollars.

The usually strong Deutsche mark and Swiss franc both dropped by more than 2 per cent against the dollar. The mark fell to 1.875 against the dollar in London, after a close a Filler of 1.825 L is now on Friday of 1.8325. It is now at its lowest point since early last summer. The Swiss franc.

at 1.7885 to the dollar, is at its weakest since July 1978.

Currency dealers were taken aback by the dollar's swift rise and had been expecting firmer support for the mark. However, the German central bank appeared to be resigned to letting the currency fall, at least

The Japanese were more successful in resisting the dollar's rise. News of a pos-

and intervention by the Bank of Japan both helped. The yen closed at 249.4 to the dollar, after going briefly above the crucial 250 level at one stage. Higher interest rates throughout the world are likely as a result of the American measures.

Progressive tightening of the United States money policy over the past month has pushed up the cost of money in Europe and Japan as governments have tried to stop their currencies from falling. Eurodollar rates soared to

nearly 20 per cent yesterday afternoon, and further prime rate rises are expected to be announced in New York this

#### **Doctors** offered surgeries in stores

By Annabel Ferriman Health Services Correspondent A visit to the doctor's surgery may be combined in future with a visit to the sales. The Debenbams group is offering doctors space for surgeries at

55 of its stores. Not only would it be possible simultaneously to improve your wardrobe and ease your back-ache, but you may be able to have your corns fixed, your teeth examined and your eyes tested in the same store.

Debenhams is talking to den-ists, opticians chiropodists, accountants, lawyers, estate agents and pharmacists about renting space. In a successful experiment, opticians have rented offices at five stores and made more money per square foot than any other department. The group, which has about 70 stores throughout Britain, has written to the British Medical Association pointing out that its scheme could belp to meet the difficulties of high rents in inner city areas. It would let space at an economic rent for the doctors.

A spokesman for the com-pany said: "We see it as the way the retail business is going. People are more and more choosy about where they go, so

the more you offer, the more custom you get."

Dr John Havard, secretary of the BMA, said yesterday that the association would be considered that the description with the second that the description would be considered the beautiful that the second that sidering the Debenhams offer carefully. In the past it had been against doctors baving surgeries on commercial premises, but in the light of the inner city difficulty it would have to think about it

"We are prepared to look at our ethical position again and will see whether we can come to some arrangement. Doctors should not practise from premises where people are conrinually coming and going, because it gives them an unfair advantage over other doctors. "But we are concerned primarily with patient care. If we are not getting enough doctors in inner city areas, we shall have to consider it."

Week.

Wall Street down 23 points, page 17.

It was pointed out that patients would have to be on a doctor's list.

## inations consider other games

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es whose covernments a boycott of the Olympics envisage up existing world-operations which are the sporting

epresentatives of a those countries met. Mr Dougles Hurd, i State at the Foreign id that in addition to ready scheduled new competitions could be

are not considering upics taking place at time as the Moscow he added. "These ns would be later, it much later."

on whose intiative the two-day meeting here is being held, the other countries participating are Sudan, Saudi Arabia, The Netherlands, Kenya, Dominican Republic, Canada and the Philippines. Costa Rica and Porrugal are attending as observers.

Mr Hurd said they believed that as sports organizations in different countries realized to what extent the Moscow games would be marred by the absence of the Americans and other leading sporting nations they were "beginning to think in terms of other plans".

"Our aim is to help them in that consideration if that is the

he added. "These way their thoughts turn," he part in the Moscow games. In the much later."

It would be later, added. "As it becomes in Though only 12 countries were into the United absence of certain countries were in touch with many others iritisin and Australia, from Moscow will lower the who felt the same way.

quality of competition there we think that sport by sport—it may not be all sports—there will increasingly be interest in other kinds of competition.

"Anyway, we think we owe it to athletes and sporting organizations to give them the chance by suggesting and facili-tating. If they turn their backs on this whole approach then we have tried."

He pointed out that some competitions could possibly organized according to the rule books which did not need the consent of sporting federations. Any contests would be open to all atbletes—even probably the Russians who had taken part in the Moscow games. Though only 12 countries were

company pay offer some other form of third-party intervention in the dispute will By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

Steel unions reject 'final'

Steel union negotiators Lasi also be discussed, night unanimously rejected the Six Charles sa British Steel Corporation's yesterday that the corporation "final" pay offer of 14.4 per would go ahead with a second cent on pay and productivity, ballot of its 135,000 striking but left the executives of the workers if the unions rejected the offer and refused either to federation a free hand to detern to see the offer and refused either to federation a free hand to detern to see the offer and refused either to federation. federation a free hand to deter-mine the next move in the national strike that tomorrow enters its twelfth week.

The idea of a union ballot on the offer proposed by Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of British Steel, found no favour among the 60 members of the steel union negotiating team, and the package (details, page 2) was scrutinized "with disgust", according to one negotia-

The consensus emerging fr to four hours of internal union talks was that the union should tell its members not to participare in the ballot on the cor-poration's offer. British Steel is poised to launch the ballot preliminary to reopening the steel work gates for a return

But the final word has been left to a joint meeting of executives of the Confederation and the National Union of blastfurnacemen today when the prospect of mediation or

Six Charles said on radio go to arbitration. Evidently embarrassed by

union criticisms that too many ballot papers were available in the works to supplement those sent to the homes of the men in the last poll, Sir Charles said that "security papers" would be used this time to overcome any question of BSC employees voting twice. Today's joint executive of

the steelmen and blastfurnace-men will consider the options open before taking a joint re-commendation to a full meeting of all the unions involved in the dispute tomorrow night. Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the ISTC, said last night after his union's negoti-

ating committee meeting:
"Feelings are still running high against the attitude of the steel corporation. They have proved themselves inflexible in the face of our compromise offer put to last week".
Other steel news, page 2

#### Court orders British Rail to deliver 500 tons of steel blacked by union ports it could have considerable

By Nicholas Timmins British Rail was last night planning to deliver about 500 tons of steel to a West Midlands tons of steel to a West Midlands stockholder today after the High Court ruled that it must be handed over to its owners, Howard E. Perry and Co Ltd.

The steel, worth £96,000, has been blacked by members of the Market Midlands admitted that there were several other consignments of steel amounts of the Market Midlands admitted that there were several other than Market Midlands admitted that there were several other consignments of steel amounts of the Midlands admitted that there were several other consignments of steel amounts of the Midlands admitted that the Midlands admitted the Midlands admitted that the Midlands admitted that the Midlands admitted that the

been blacked by members of the National Union of Railwaymen, at depots in Wolverhamp-ton and Brierly Hill, in support of the steel strike.

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Mr Jack Lanwarne, West
Midlands district secretary of
the NUR, said yesterday his
members would comply with
the court order. "I have instructed our members to start delivering the steel to Perry's comorrow. What the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation do about it is another matter."

The steel union promptly promised that picketing of the stockholding firm would be Promise of

£100 flight

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

to Hongkong

British Caledonian Airways

British Caledonian Airways was selected from three competitors vesterday to break the British Airways monopoly on the Hongkong route, and at once said it would offer a standby single fare of £100 when it begins services there in August.

The unsuccessful airlines

were Laker Airways and Cathay

Pacific, which although based in Hongkong is owned by a com-pany in the City of London.

Cathay was particularly aggrieved at the decision by the Civil Aviation Authority in

London, because at a hearing in Hongkong recently it was, with British Caledonian, granted a licence on the route by the local

aviation authority.
The Civil Aviation Authority

in its judgment in London considered that the route would

not be economical for three

airlines. It accepted British Caledonian's plan to satisfy

both the business and tourist market using DC-10 airliners. Cathay's Boeing 747 jumbo

jets were too large for a rapid

build-up of service, while Laker's proposal for a cheap Skytrain type of operation would have lacked a market.

Cathay Pacific said in London

Sir Freddie Laker, chairman

that it is considering an appeal.

of Laker Airways, said he would appeal to the Secretary of State for Trade, Mr John

He said: "Once again we

have to call into question the

Government's declared policy

of competition and free enter-

Nort, against the decision.

stepped up. "We will do all in our power within the law to circumvent that steel moving",

Association of Steel Stockhol-ders, said: "We will be examining the court's ruling very closely in the next few days". There was not a large amount of steel at railheads, but if the point in us appearuling could be taken as a staff recognize the precedent for steel blacked at going to obey it".

significance.
In his ruling, the judge, Vice-Chancellor Sir Robert Megarry. said Perry's were being denied most of their rights to owner-ship of the steel, including the that there were several other consignments of steel, amount.

indefinite period.
"All concerned may take a practical view of the matter and think that, as only some 500 tons of steel is involved, and there appears to be small prospect of it being replaced, there would be little point in mount-

should not take effect until 10.30 today to allow BR time to appeal. But British Rail said later that "There seems little point in us appealing if our staff recognize the law and are

#### e diver in aole-

r Correspondent

cperienced cave-diver he freezing water of a thole while trying to a link between two

Piant aged 31, a news-itor, of Wapping Hell, as found dead in an er passage deep inside near kirkby Lonsdale,

12-man team he had ng to establish a link Bull Pot and Aygill

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kinton colleague, Mr adon. They found the iged 200 feet into the ing flooded passage. tson said they did not it had gone wrong and we to wait until the examined.

lant, editor of the erold was a member of Care Rescue Organizathe Upper Wharfedale

#### BL will impose pay deal on **85,000** workers

BL is to impose its pay and productivity offer on 85,000 car workers. After eight hours, talks with union leaders broke down. The company remained adamant. that it could not improve the offer, first made five months ago, of 5 to 10 per cent pay increases according to grade, with bonuses up to £15 a week for sweeping changes in working practices. Union leaders hinted that if the deal was forced through there would be spontaneous shop-Page 2

Exports top £4,000m The value of British exports went over £4,000m for the first time and the deficit on trade in goods fell to £226m in February from £321m in January. The rebruary from £321m in January. The improvement was widespread among leading commodity groups, but despite considerable gains from North Sea oil if still tooks as though there will be a deficit of about £2,000m during 1980. Page 17

Arts Council's £70m

The government grant to the Arts Council for the coming year will be £70m, an increase of £11.7m. The rise means that expenditure will be in line with this year's when allowance is made for inflation. The council said that reduction in services should be "containable" Page 4

Envoy's window exit

The Uruguayan Ambassador escaped-through a second-floor window from the Dominican Embassy in Bogota occupied by terrorists bolding diplomatic rostages there since February 27. Senor Comeztried to climb down a rope made of bed-sheets, but when the rope broke he had the impossions the front parden. Page 8. to jump into the front garden. Page 3.

#### Blizzards and ice affect many roads

On the second day of British Summer Time, blizzards and up to Sin of snow affected many parts of the country and motorists faced hazardous conditions in wide areas of the North. Police in mid-Wales gave a warning of frozen snow on high ground and in Lancashire gritting machines were used to keep traffic maving on the M61.

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Schild talks 'critical

Negotiations between Mr Rolf Schild, the British businessman, and kidnappers holding his daughter. Annabel, in Sardinia have reached a critical stage, his solicitor said in London. The British Vice-Consul in Cagliari said that Mrs Dankne Schild, whose release eight weeks ago was announced by the Pone on Sunday, was uniquired but very distressed Fage 6

£300,000 for heart team

Mr John James, a Berkshire businessman, Mr John Jemes, a Berkshire pushlessmen, has promised a £300.000 donation to Harefields Hospital. Uxbridge, so that heart transplant operations can continue. He said the money would help to "balance up" the £300,000 gift by Mr David Robinson to Papworth Hospital Page 3

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Gallantry medal for Gurkha hero

A Gurkha soldier who overpowered and arrested eight attackers single-handed arrested eight attackers single-handed goes to Buckingham Palace today to receive the Queen's Gallantry Medal. Lance-Corporal Aimansing Limbu is the first member of the Brigade of Ghurkas to receive the award. He was on border patrol in Hongkong when desperate illegal immigrants from China attacked him. But the attackers reckoned without his fighting spirit Page 8

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general lack of interest although gilts picked up after the United States economic package. The PT index closed at 433.2 down 6.7 Business features: Bugh Clayton on why the farmers are dissatisfied with the Tory Government's performance; Patricia Tisdail reports on the employers divided views on the strike

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City still in transfer market Business News, pages 18-21 Stock Markets: Equities fell back on

Chemical crash

prise.",

A policeman and two farmworkers were treated for the effects of fumes after a lorry carrying chemicals, including methanol, and a bus crashed at Houghton-le-Spring. Type and Wear yesterday. A man and a woman, two of eight injured in the crash, were poorly last

#### tied up at railheads by the NUR's action. But no decision had yet been taken on whether these should also be delivered. "If there was a request for de-

livery, certainly we would give it consideration". Mr Richard Rawlins, execu-tive director of the National

ing industrial action over what may be regarded as a one-off job", he said. Sir Robert said the order

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#### BL's management planning to act unilaterally and impose pay offer after talks with unions fail

The British Leyland management will decide in the next day or two how to go over the heads of union negotietors and impose their pay and productivity offer on the company's \$5,000 car

workers. The company made clear last night that it intends to act unlaterally after talks with union leaders, which provided the last real chance of an agreed settlement, oroke down after

The company remained adament after the talks that there was no more money to improve its five-months-old offer of basic increases of 5 or 10 per cent dependent on grades and the departunity for bonus earnings up to £15 a week in exchange for widespread changes in work-

ing practices.
The company is gambling that the move, which may involve each worker affected by changes in practices being asked to agree individually to alterations in his contract of employment, will be acceptable to workers who last year overwhelmingly choosed Sir Michael Edwell short of calling for offi-cial industrial action, hinted that there could be spontaneous disruption on the shop floor. Mr Grenville Hawley, the Transport and General Workers' Union national automotive secretary, said last night: "Any imposition of the deal would cause a reaction from the mem-

which was rejected by about six to four in a ballot of employees, the unions yesterday proposed a 10 per cent increase across the board and urged that the company's wide-ranging produc-tivity document then be put to workers plant by plant for furfurther negotiations.

Rejecting that, Mr Raymond Horrocks, managing director of BL Cars, said the company's financial position, illustrated by the 1979 loss of £122m, left it no room for manoeuvre. Changes in working practices were essential to the success of Leyland's recovery and new model programme.

Collaboration plans: BL is discussing collaborative projects with seven or eight other com-panies in America and Europe, A new Jaguar generation was highly developed. Sir Michael Edwardes said at a wardes's recovery plan. Sir Michael Edwardes said at a Union leaders, while stopping Parliamentary Press Gallery

#### "Get your facts right", Sir Michael urged in his reply. When he had spoken of col-laboration with other companies, he had been referring to Europe and America not Japan. The Queen shaking hands with Dustin Hoffman at last night's Royal Film Performance at the Odeon theatre, Leicester Square. Next to him are Meryl Streep and Justin Henry, aged eight, who have leading roles in the film, " Kramer vs Kramer ".

very much poorer and the damage to the BSC and their

future chances of jobs will have been damaged still further. I can see absolutely no

point in continuing with this strike. They should serile, arbitrate, or go to a ballot on our offer, which has been on the table for the past month. Further 'extension' of the strike would make very much harder the corporation's task of regaining the business it had already lost. The scrike has

already lost. The strike has

been costing the corporation between £10m and £11m a week

on top of weekly losses of £7m before the strike began.

By Our Labour Editor

together.

The joint union-management

document considered by steel-

workers' negotiators yesterday contains some concessions that

have brought the two sides in the national steel strike closer

with 1 per cent more if the

a cutoff point for "lead-in

productivity bonus payments.

. Mr William Sirs, general sec

retary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, said:

'The corporation has a docu-

## NUR wants

on May 14 Ey Our Labour Staff

TUC leaders will be urged next week by the biggest rail union to turn the planned May 14 day of action against Government policies into a 24hour general strike.

The National Union of Pailwaymen is asking the TUC General Council to advise all affiliated unions to withdraw labour on that day.

The NUR executive met yesterday and afterwards Mr Sidney Weighell, the union's general secretary, promised that the union's 180,000 mem-bers would abide by the call if it was approved.

Referring to the TUC rally nine days ago, Mr Weighell said: "The feeling of my executive is that it is not sufficient to wave banners in Trafalgar Square. The Government appear not to be listening to us, and so the way to influence them is to stop Britain for 24 hours."

If the council did not support the NUR resolution, the union's executive would have to consider what action its members would then take, he said.

Mr Weignen was sale the about the performance of the Mr Weighell was scothing Prime Minister, saying: "If she continues: 10 run : the like she would a grocer's shop in Grantham, we are heading for disaster".

#### Union chiefs avoid defeat on post plan

By David Felton bour Reporter

Bostal union leaders yester-day narrowly, avoided a rank-and-file defeat on a produc-tivity plan that could see the introduction of casual workers into the Post Office during the summer.

Delegates to a special con-ference of the Union of Post Office Workers in Bourne-mouth voted by a majority of 615 against a call supported by many branches to reject a pay and conditions package which has the backing of the union's executive.

The two-day conference is being held in advance of pay negotiations due to start in earnest on Thursday. Mr Tom Jackson, general secretary of the union, said that tough negotiations were ahead. He added that the union's 20 per cent claim had to be set against the Post Office's budget next year

for pay increases.
The conference was called to discuss the productivity plan, which the Post Office hopes will make its business more efficient and enable it to avoid a repetition of last summer, when people were asked to stop posting letters. The plan envisages the

employment of casual workers, mainly students, for 12 weeks this summer.

#### Sir Charles insists on right to ballot workers are not committed to holding on earth is the point? Where Industrial Editor Union attitudes adopted by a second ballot and will do so will we be in three weeks time? The strikers will be

steelworkers leaders towards a membership ballot on the memoership ballof on the British Steel Corporation's pay offer were attacked yesterday by Sir Charles Villiers, the charman.

lunch in Westminster yesterday (Our Parliamentary Staff

Sir Michael said that BL had

"Some discussions came to

been having the discussions for

nought because they wanted to

export unemployment from France and elsewhere",

three times that what the latter

Then Mr Leslie Hackfield,

abour MP for Nuneaton and a smer Under-Secretary for

Industry, put a question, pre-facing it with a number of premises: that the Honda deal

had been 90 per cent Japanese ("Rubbish", Sir Michael said)

("Rushish", Sir Michael sau); that there was not yet a replace-ment Jaguar or Rover (another "Rushish"); and that the new "power-train" would be Jap-anese. That drew another "Rushish" from Sir Michael.

had said was rubbish.

At the end of the lunch he told a former Labour minister

would go ahead with its hallot of the workers if the unions decided against holding one, as the corporation would prefer.
Referring to comments made
by Mr. William Sirs, general
secretary of the Iron and Steel

He made clear that the BSC

Trades Confederation, the BSC chairman said ballots had been held for more than 100 years. "They are going back to the Duke of Wellington, who op-posed the Reform Bill", he

In an interview with The Times Sir Charles said; "We

only if it is in the interests of the workers and the business. We are reluctant heroes.

" But the workforce said quite they wanted to be heard. If the unions will not ballot themselves, or go to arbitration, then we will have to ballot." But should the ballot produce

divided result, and the corporation open the gates of its plants to those workers who wished to return, although there might be trouble, he common sense would boped prevail if there was a strong vote in favour of the corpora-tion's 14.4 per cent pay offer. Asked about Mr. Sirs's sug-

Sir Charles admitted: "We gestion that the strike could thall be very, very pushed to manage within our £450m cash continue for a further three weeks, Sir Charles said: "What limit for next year. We shall try

to do this, but it will involve winding down certain of our activities." He strongly denied that he or the BSC board were under any

pressure from the Government to settle the strike, but indicated that such were the pressures on the corporation's finances that detailed 'talks with ministers might be needed once the strike was resolved and the damage assessed.

"I do nor think that we shall ge to the Government until the strike is over. I am not prepared to go whining and belly actie-ing. He could decide only after making a proper judgment of the damage and how far it could be repaired

The BSC chairman dismissed suggestions that the corporation planned to sell some of its main activities to the private sector."

Concessions have brought BSC and the unions closer together

## bring in

By a Staff Reporter
A call for a mediator to be

The position now is much clearer. There is a document that has been agreed between the unions collectively and BSC and the issue between us now is one of 5.3 per cent, he said. That seems to me to be an obvious issue now for a median an obvious issue now for a mediator to examine the difference with a view to making some ecommendation to the parties."
The TGWU'S 58-strong dele-

## Union call to a mediator

brought into the steel dispute was made yesterday by Mr Thomas Crispin, national officer for steel of the Transport and General Workers' Union.

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#### Tube staff threaten wider action because of assaults

By Our Labour Staff

Railway union leaders will meet London Transport management today amid the threat of widening industrial action by Underground staff in protest against a series of assaults which culminated in last Fri-day's incident at Neasden day's station involving gaugs of

Last night staff on the Jubilee the main ine agreed not to operate serand Queensbury after 10 pm from next Friday,

Mr John Hanson, secretary of the National Union of Railway-men's assaults committee, said last night that he expected that a meeting his week might de-cide to take even more drastic action on Saturday.

**Ballot on Easter** 

at nine airports

Easter beliday flights from nine municipal airports will be grounded for four days if air traffic controllers vote in sup-

port of a strike over pay called by their union, the National and Local Government Officers'

Association (Nalgo).

The decision rests on a ballot

of affected members called yes-terday by the unions at the nine airports where Nalgo said meet-

ings had indicated support for

The airports at which mem-

bers will be balloted are Luton.

Coventry, Birmingham, Liver-pool, Gloucester, Bristol, East Midlands, Swansea and Leeds/

Nalgo is bound by its rules to hold a ballot before official

The local authority employers

said yesterday that after a com-parability study carried out for

Nalgo groups, an 8 per cent award in addition to last year's

9.4 per cent award would yield total increases of 16 to 22.5

per cent over six months.

Bradford.

strike called

By Our Labour Staff :

Mr Hanson complained that at weekends after 10 pm only four officers of the British Transport police were available to cover violent incidents on the Underground. Under London Transport procedures the British Transport police must be rold before Metropolitan Police officers are called to an

Mr Hanson said that that was the main reason why he claimed, it had taken 25 minutes before police scene of the Neasden fracas. The unofficial move by staff on Friday will almost certainly mean that after 10 pm trains will not stop at West Hamp-

stead, Kilburn, Willesden Green, Dollis Hill, Neasden, Wembley Park, Kingsbury or Queensbury.

#### Meetings ban by police a 'curb on free speech'

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent Allowing the police powers to ban meetings on public order grounds would represent a fundamental attack on free speech, the National Council for Civil Liberties told MPs

Select Committee on Home Affairs.

reassessment of policing of elec-tion meetings. Disturbances at a number of electoral meetings, particularly in Southall, indicated the need to consider a definition of a public meeting

limitations put by the police and organizers on public access to meetings. Many such meetings organized by the National Front were not truly electoral meet-ings, and some local authorities refused to let halls to the NF

#### ment but not an agreement until it pays the money". A copy of the draft agree-ment, which presupposes a return to work no later than March 23, is in the hands of The Times. A preamble says: "Having regard to the cor-

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It could not be justified by the experience of recent elec-tion meetings, the council said in evidence to the Commons

But the council called for a under the Act.

Frustration had centred on

Productivity the key in steel peace formul ficulties, the corporation and the unions agree nationally the principle that in the year there should be significant pay increases but that these will be financed through improved performance and any other savings

At issue now is the price the The two sides agree that British Steel Corporation is being asked to pay for the agreement, which the steel union coordinating committee much remains to be done to including improved working values at 14 per cent and manpractices between unions, and agement at only '9 per cent. absenteeism unnecessary, overtime. unions accept the principle of

Clause 1.3 contains the heart of BSC's ambitions. It lays down that "the unions accept the continued need for joint discussions with the corporation at national and local level with TUC-affiliated unions

a. with the objective of achieving international manning standards at all levels at ongoing plants to achieve the highest level of productivity pay and conditions in line with overseas competitors, particularly the working relationships can be established between the corpora-

Unions and management go on to "accept the urgent neces-sity for the restructuring of the achievement of these objectives so as to improve the cor-poration's costs and hence its

At local level management aims to table by the end of April (and will by the end of June at the latest) plans for dis-cussion and negociation which will reduce inbuilt overmanning to the minimum level possible; reduce absenteeism to the minimum level possible; and reduce overtime to the minimum practicable level compatible with maintaining plant effici-

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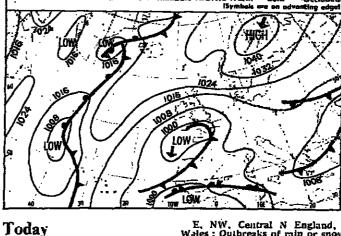
The two sides agree to a national and local working party on the possibility collective bargaining.

#### Teacher fails to gain reinstatement

Mrs Eileen Crosbie, a sus-pended nursery teacher, failed yesterday in her attempt to gain reinstatement. After eight weeks off work, she arrived at her old school and said she was prepared to take lessons again.

After a four-hour meeting with teachers' union representa-tives, however. Nottinghamshire education officials refused to give her back her job at the Robert Mellors primary school, Arnold, Nottinghamshire. The decision means that 10 Nottinghamshire schools will be affected by strike action from

## Weather forecast and recordings From Our Correspondent Nottingham



Sun rises: Sun sets: 7.11 pm Moon rises: Moon sets: 9.36 pm

First quarter : March 23. First quarter: March 23.
Lighting up: 7.41 pm to 6.36 am.
High water: London Bridge. 3.40
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14.3m. Dover, 12.32 am, 7.1m;
12.54 pm. 7.0m. Hulf, 8.14 am.
7.3m: 8.24 pm. 8.1m. Liverpool.
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1 foot=0.3048m. 1m=3.2808ft.

A depression will move slowly S across SW Britain, with cold E winds becoming established over most aceas.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, East Anglia, Midlands, S Wales: Outbroads of mid-

r, rain ; s, sun ; sn, snow.

E. NW. Central N England, N Wales: Outbreaks of rain or snow, heavy snow on high ground with extensive drifting; wind E. fresh, increasing to gale; max temp 4°C Lake District, Isle of Man. SW

Scotland, Central Highlands, N freland: Cloudy at times with a little steet but drifting snow on high ground, bright intervals in sheltered parts; wind E, strong to gale; max temp 5°C (41°F). NE England, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow: Mostly cloudy, occasional sleet but driting snow on high ground; wind E. mostly gale; max temp 4°C (39°F).

Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney, Shedland: Sunny intervals, scattered wintry showers: wind E, strong to gale; max temp S°C (41°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Very windy and cold, bright and mainly dry in N; further rain, sleet or snow in S.

Sea passages: S North See, Strait of Dover: Wind SE, fresh or strong, backing E, strong to WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c. cloud ; f, fair ;



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#### Labour 'will repeal work Act' The TUC employment com-

By Our Labour Editor

Parliamentary Labour Party leaders have told the TUC that they intend when they regain office to repeal the forthcoming Employment Act and then reenact "any valuable aspects" the legislation may have.

That is disclosed in confidential minutes of a meeting between the unions and PLP employment spokesmen, which will be considered tomorrow by the TLC employment policy and organization committee. Union leaders told the poli-

ticians that there was a feeling in the TUC General Council that the Labour Party's res-ponse to the Employment Bill, now going through Parliament, could be usefully strength-It was pointed out that there

was greater unanimity within the TUC over its opposition to the Bill than there had been over opposition to the Indus-trial Relations Act 1971. "Moreover, attitudes to the Bill are likely to harden", the

that the Bill had been successfully delayed. It would cer-mittee will have before it tainly reach the starute book, comorrow further policy conso it was necessary to reach an agreed policy on repeal. TUC representatives sug-

gested that the media presenta-tion of Shadow Cabinet policy showed that Labour MPs drawing some sa According to the minutes, Mr Bill. It gives a "realistic" and Mikardo, MP, then intervened to say that the PLP intended to repeal the legislation and then reenact valuable aspects. That statement was welcomed by the unions.

Mr Varley went on to Mr Varley went on to completed by the Easter request further guidance from recess, and the remaining the TUC on suitable amend. Stages are likely to take place ments to put down to the Gov-ernment's amendments to the Bill concerning secondary industrial action. A further meeting of the TUC and Labour's employment spokesmen in Parliament is to be held as soon as Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, publishes the amendments, to identify priori-Mr Eric Varley, the shadow ties for the report stage of the Employment Secretary, replied Bill in the Commons.

have before it siderations on how opposition to the Covernment's legislation to curb trade union power In the meantime the TUC is

countrywide day of action on May 14. The TUC expects that the Bill's committee stage will be

after Parliament re: assembles.
"The PLP's intention is to force the Government to introduce its clause or clauses on secondary industrial action while the Bill is on the floor of the House, not in standing committee. In this way they will be able to secure much more publicity for the position

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## neat of fascism likely if Labour in aims, Mr Benn tells andy meeting of left-wingers

the record socialism in a public he crisis and future in Britain, Mr Benn the Labour Party alternative was .not

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admitted there was, with a parliamentary groups and said:
To say what is wrong is power that is illusory—the power of Parliament.

Summing up for the far left, want is not a lecture on revolutional Mirkist Group, said:

help on how to save think.

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He criticized revolutionary groups for undervaluing the importance of Parliament. While ruling out any amalgamarion of the Labour Party with a socialist revolutiar left groups. Mr Benn colled

issues.

Socialist Workers' Party, accu-sed the Labour Party of having in Northern Ireland, done the same thing that the ent heckling, which pted other speakers, atmosphere, of the forces of outside capitalism. ganized by the Lab.

He said: "The Labour Party lating committee. It is formed by people and fer ed to be a serious people who believe power tween the Labour can be transferred by decent, and far laft time. ween the Labour can be transferred by decent, and far left-wing orderly legislative processes. It cannot. Socialist society will not

property. oups of the far left. Miss Hilary Wainwright, them for confusing speaking for the far left, empha-of reform, which he sized the importance of extra-

ARE YOU WITH BERN

holding up a banner behind Mr Wedgwood Benn while Mr Peter Hain for calm at the left-wing debate at Central Hall, Westminster, last night.

to cover the influence of Labour movement, have also bankers, industrialists, the CIA been revealed in other published material. Indeed, the Labour movement."

American Freedom of Informa-

The Times reported My Hay- tion Act would allow further

Labour Committee for Trans-

atlantic Understanding, of which Mr Roy Mason, the former Secretary of State for Defence, is chairman.

That service has received more than E32,000 from Nato in

the past five years. The left-wingers imply that the CIA had

a hand is arranging the

They ask that the documents

be placed on the agenda for the

April meeting of the organiza-tion committee of the executive,

Mr Hayward replied yester-day that he would do so. Lord Underhill, with the approval of the executive will

publish his report on Trotskyist

majority verdicts at Exeter Crown Court yesterday on two

charges of deception. He was given an 18 month suspended

The jury found that there

was a switch of a broken-down horse for a six times winner at the August Bank Holiday race

neeting at Newton Abbot in

Mr. Bowles, aged 35, of Court Farm, Llangattock, Crickbowell, Powys, was told by Judge Coun-sell: "You have undoubtedly

brought disgrace upon your racing fraternity, and I hope you feel somewhat chastened

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our left urges CIA aid inquiry

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the Labour movement is not

widely known it has become increasingly well documented

The Sunday Times to examine this issue", they stated. "His

Evans.

Further details of the fund-

Jenkins was not "a spent

force" in politics, having been

away from the United Kingdom

He disagreed. His party had

not been in office in recent

times and it would add consid-

erable strength to the Liberal

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" I just think that the biggest

difficulty the Liberal Party has

had is the credibility gap, and I think we would overcome that

if people like Mr. Jenkins were working with us", Mr Steel

He confirmed that he had dis-cussed possibilities with Mr

Jenkins's experience.

for more than three years.

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Brightside; Miss "For example, Richard Richardson, MP for Fletcher was commissioned by and Mr Emlyo Wil- The Sunday Times to examine

National Union of ters, quotes The Times this issue", they stated. "His report, after being cleared for ters, quotes The Times libel, was withheld from publi-

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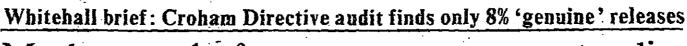
help on how to save their "No social democratic government in the world has ever brought about any real shift in class forces in favour of the norking class.

The Labour Party cannot deliver the goods. A new type of party is needed, a party that organizes people at the point of production."

Summing up for the Labour Party left, Mrs Audrey Wise, former Labour MP for Coventry, South West, said there was no conflict between the struggle for socialism inside and outside Parliament.

"There is no god that says that if you are in Parliament you cannot be on the Grunwick picket-line", she said,
"The really interesting arena for debate is now within the Labour Party. The left is winning the battle there. We are winning the struggle to winning the struggle to democratize the party. That is

why there is such panic in the breasts of the right wing."



Modest results from open government policy

and Colin Bennett

The Labour Cabinet of 1974-79 was the first British Administration to have an official open government policy. On July 6, 1977, a directive was circulated, with the authority of Mr James Callaghan, then Prime Minister, to 51 heads of department in Whitehall containing detailed instructions on how the new era of openness was to be introduced.

its author was Sir Douglas Allen, then Head of the Home Civil Service, who became Lord Croham on his retirement. The document, which has since be-Directive, in its own words was: intended to mark a real change of policy, even if the initial step is modest. In the past it has normally been assumed that hack-ground material relating to policy studies and reports would not be published unless the responsible minister or ministers decided otherwise. Henceforth the work-

ing assumption should be that such material will be published unless they decide it should not be. Just how open was the Cal-laghan government? Did delaghan government? Did de-partments take any notice of the Croham Directive? Whitehall has no idea. Monitoring its impact was judged too costly in money and manpower. Stimu-lated by a request from the Commons Select Committee on Expenditure, the Civil Service Department was, at last, exam-ing its effect when the Cal-lughan government fell last

One of the first acts of Mrs Margaret Thatcher on becoming Prime Minister was to order that the work he stopped as an economy measure.

£300,000 gift

to Harefield

A gift of £300.000 has been

promised to Harefield Hospital, Uxbridge, for its heart trans-plant programme by Mr John James, a millionaire from Ascot, Berkshire.

The gift comes less than a

week after Mr David Robinson,

a friend and business rival of Mr James, announced that he would give £300,000 to Papworth Hospital, Cambridge, for its

The money will enable Hare-field to carry out 10 to 12 heart

transplants a year over the next

four years. It was intending to raise the money through private

donations, since the Government so far has promised support of only £100,000 to Papworth Hos-

Mr James said yesterday that

the money was " to balance up " the donation given by Mr

Mr James, who made his fortune by building up a small radio and electrical husings

radio and electrical business bought in 1946, said the first £100,000 would be paid in

Harefield hospital has carried

latest transplant took

out four transplants so far, three of which were successful.

The latest transplant took place last Thursday, when Mr James Burkhill, aged 49, a former steelworker from Mold, North Wales, was given a new

Cycling award: Mr Keith

Cycling award: Mi Kelti Castle, aged 53, the heart transplant patient, was yester-day presented with the first British Cycling Bureau gold

award by Roy Castle, presenter of the BBC television series on keeping fit. The doctors at

Papworth Hospital had advised regular cycling, Mr Keith Castle said.

Racehorse trainer is convicted

heart transplant work.

pital.

October

heart team

By Annabel Ferriman

THE TIMES SURVEY OF OPEN GOVERNMENT JULY, 1877-MAY, 1975 Final, sevised list of items yielded under the Croham Directive of July 6, 1977.

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Export Credit Guarantea Department
Lord Chancellor's Department
Public Tructee Office

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An audit of the Croham Directive's yield, however, was carried out by The Times and the results are published in full today in an Outer Circle Policy Unit report, entitled A Con-sumer's Guide to Open Government. It encompassed 35 depart-ments, including all the main policy ministries and executive agencies which received the

EEC fungicide test, with possibly dangerous consequences for

version of the French regulation

Ministry of Agriculture.

Britain yesterday, and hazard-

ous conditions for motorists

were reported in wide areas of

the North. Police in mid-Wales

gave a warning of frozen snow

machines were used to keep

The Royal Automobile Chub

said the snow had moved as

far south as Nottingham.

Speed restrictions of 50 mph were imposed on the M1 and

main roads in the area were

from the Tote the proceeds of a £50 ber. He was found guilty by majority verdicts of 10-2 after the jury had retired for

after the jury had retired for nearly five hours.

Mr Bowles has been cleared earlier in the trial, on the judge's direction, of two cou-spiracty charges. Those were dropped at the same time as the jockey of the winning horse, John Williams, aged 30,

was cleared of similar charges and one of deception.

The Jockey Club said later that a disciplinary inquiry would

traffic moving on the M61.

on high ground.

gritted.

In Lancashire

enforcing it.

The chief finding of the report is that, with noble and

Translation error led

From Michael Hornsby years, that knowledge was communicated to the European Commission only six weeks ago.

EEC fungicide test, with possibly dangerous consequences for public health, has been traced to a mistranslation in the English the text describing how the test

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troy fungus after they have been harvested. The fungicide is suspected of being a carringge.

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First adopted by the EEC as long ago as 1967, the test was introduced when Britain joined foam. British chemists quickly

of the previous, satisfactory boiling occurred no distillation method of testing used by the could be produced for testing.

Although the inefficacy of the crucial passage is: "while pre-EEC test had been known to the venting the purce from char-ministry for more than two ring or foaming".

Blizzards and up to 8in of borough town centre, and at

snow affected many parts of Garrowby Hill the A166 had to be closed because of heavy snow

In the North traffic was man in the car was dragged reduced to a crawl through Scar- clear.

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directive did not mark a "real and, or, officials taking the change of policy", and its initiative. Its successes were results were indeed, "modest". confined to departments where In quantitative terms 836 items were released between July, 1977, and the defeat of

the Callaghan government at the polls in May last year, most of which would have been pub-lished without the introduction of Labour's much vaunted open government policy.

Of the total, 76 per cent could be described loosely as background material relevant to current policy-making. The rest were routine press office handouts.

Only 68 documents, 8 per cent of the total, carried out the directive's instructions to the letter, being genuine background material written, as Croham had stipulated, in a form that could be separated from the policy advice given to ministers, and published.

The Department of Health and Social Security alone furnished S8 of them, with papers dealing with its supple-mentary benefit review and its study of perinatal and neonatal mortality.

The Civil Service Department provided eight background papers with the report of its Administration Traince Review Committee.

The Department of Trade scored one with its report on air traffic forecasting in 1977, and the Ministry of Defence offered a genuine ministerial briefing paper on the decision to base USAAF air tankers at Pairford, in Gloucestershire, in

should be conducted.

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The correct translation of this

and abandoned vehicles.

Keswick roads

In Cumbria Sin of snow closed the Kirkstone Pass on

the A592 and the A591 Kendal

ered in 4in of snow. At one stage traffic on both carriage ways of the M6 was reduced to single-lane movement. The A66 from Penrith to Keswick

was blocked at Troutbeck after three lorries jack-knifed.

Two men died when their car burst into flames after a col-lision with an articulated lorry on the M1 at Crick, Northamp

tonshire, in a snowfall. A third

Most of Cumbria was cov-

Three trains went over broken weld, inquiry told

At least three trains passed safely over a broken weld on a track before a 95-mph express train was derailed by it, a Department of Transport inquiry was told in London vesterday.

On one train the jolt was severe enough for passengers to comment on it. Less than an hour later the Euston to Manchester express crashed off the line, injuring 48 people. Nine coaches were derailed and three overturned.

Details of the derailment were given at the inquiry, which is examining details of the crash

on February 16 at Bushev. Herrfordsbire. Lieutenzat-colonel Anthony Townsend-Rose, the inquiry-chairman confirmed that the cause of the derailment was

broken weld in cac rail. Mr Kenneth Pitt, a Brinsh Rail clerical officer, told the inquiry he was travelling on the 19.40 Euston to Birmingham train. Three hundred yards south of Bushey station he The report is dedicated to the "unknown iconoclast", the senior civil servant who suggested that The Times pur pressure on Whiteball by monitoring the Croban Directive and making persistent demands for material to be released under its provisions. His name must be kept secret for his own consection. "felt a loud hump. I heard a bang and a joh."

It appeared to come from the locometive pulling the coaches, and a loud rattling went through the train. He said his coach was virtually full and there were football and rugby supporters in it..

One or two of them made comments about the joit, he said. When he got to Birmingbam he heard an announcement about the Bushey crash, and reported it.

Colonel Townsand-Rose said Mr Pitt's train and at least two others passed safely over the weld before the accident.
Earlier the inquiry had heard that there were 150 passengers on the express.

The inquiry was told by Mr. Domenico Moio, a leading trackman, that he made a routine examination of the track only hours before the crash. He walked up and down the lite but our pathing went. the line but sew nothing wrong. Last November he bad snotted a small brenk in a weld on a different part of the line. Mr. Jeffrey Milne, regional welding essictant at Euston, said be examined the demaged

said he examined the demagentall. He served with Colonal Townsend-Pose that it was "a bridly made wold", but he added that he had seen others as hedly made.

Mr. Robert Coon, I and on Midland region's chief civil engineer, said there were engineer, said there were 15 300 welds of the Bushey tyre in use in his reminu. A Pritish Rail official said in was likely to be at least 12 months before a renert of the findings was published.

Cruft's judge remanded

remanded on bail by magistrates at Driffield, Humberside, yesterday for four weeks, after an

fees for private out patient Ar Canine Open Show last services.

#### NHS dental charges go up on April 1

A Consumer's Guide to Open Government: Techniques in Penetrating Whitchell, by Colin Bennett and Peter Hennessy Outer Circle Policy Unit. 4 Cambridge Terrace, Regents Park. London NW1 4 L. \$2.50).

the spirit of openness prevailed because of the personalities at the top at the time. That

accounts for the strong showing

of the Foreign and Common-wealth Office under Dr David

Owen, the Department of Energy under Mr Wedgwood Benn, and given the inherent sensitivity of its work, the

Ministry of Defence under its

current permanent secretary, Sir

The Consumer's Guide indi-

cates how and where all 836 items can be obtained. The

report also contains guidance on how to penetrate Whitehall

using not only the Croham Directive, which remains in

force under Mrs Thatcher, but also the Establishment Officers' Guide, the Civil Service "bible" of "do's and dont's".

which has a section on open government, and the Public

Records Acis, which allow for ministers to release material

short of the period laid down

by the 30-year rule.

The report is dedicated to the

for his own protection.

Frank Cooper.

By Our Health Services Correspondent

New dental charges are to come into effect on April 1 in England and Wales, it was announced last pight.

The cost of crowns, inlays, pinlays and gold fillings increases from £12 to £18 a rooth restored, and the maximum charge for more than three teeth restored from £36 to £54.

ber, prescription charges from April 1 will rise from 45p to 70p, which will contribute 233m to National Health Service finances in 1980-81. The new charge will represent almost the same proportion of the total cost of a prescription item as the 20p charge did when it was

A new scale of charges for pay bed patients was also announced and the average increase over 1979-80 charges is about 35 per cent.

As foreshadowed last November prescription charges from

introduced in 1971.

Private rooms: The daily cost judge at Cruft's Dog Show, was

a single room in a teaching hospital will range from £95.60 to £101.30 (the Press Association reports). The charge at a provincial teaching hespital will be from £78.40 to

allegation of bribery.

All Bottomley, of Ling Farm,
Langioft, near Driffield, is
alleged to have accepted a £25 There will also be higher bribe from an exhibitor at the

#### Judge says action is a publicity exercise Four National Health Service than to get publicity and vent patients launched a renewed a grievance?"

attempt in the Court of Appeal vesterday to show that the De to show that the Secretary partment of Health did not State had not performed carry out its obligations in the mid-1970s by failing to provide new hospital facilities in Birmingham. It comes after an un-successful damages claim in the publicity exercise. High Court last year.

The four, including a girl aged 14, have been affected by delayed treatment caused by long waiting lists in the Birm-ingham district.

They seek a declaration that a decision in 1975 by Mr David Ennals, then Secretary of State for Social Services, not to pro-vide six additional wards at the Good Hope Hospital, Sutton Coldfield, was a breach of his

statutory duty. Lord Justice Bridge asked Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, their counsel: "What is the purpose of this litigation other

Mr Blom-Cooper said it was State had not performed his statutory duties. He hoped the judge did not rezard the case as a frivolous matter.

Lord Justice Bridge.-It is a Mr Blom-Cooper.-It is a very

serious matter. It effects every citizen of this country. The four patients are: Mr Alan Hincks, aged 54, of Sunset

Alan Hincks, aged 54, of Sunset Close, Tamworth; Mrs Marie Fleming, aged 68, and Mrs Marjorie Lloyd, aged 64, both of Glascore Heath, Tamworth; and Lesley Smith, aged 14, of Handel Walk, Lichfield.

Mr Blom Cooper said that since the action began Lesley their operations. It was now too late for Mrs Lloyd to be

Smith and Mrs Fleming had had operated on. The claim for damages had been dropped. The hearing continues today.

#### £1 basic price of telegram

Telegram charges are to the increases it is still expected rise by an average of 35 per to make a substantial loss. cent on April 1, the first for inland and international increase, according to the Post cables will rise from 70p to £k. Office, for nearly five years.

The Warchdog Post Office Users' National Council says the increase is justified and also welcomes the Post Office's determination to have a large of the post Office says determination. determination to keep the

the basic charge for overnight telegrams, which are delivered.

service going.

In 1977 the Carter report by mail the next day, will stay recommended that the service at 50p, the cost a word rising should be scrapped, and despite by only 1p to 5p.

#### Farmers call for tough line with France French subsidies to apple

By Hugh Clayton Agriculture Correspondent

Farmers' leaders appealed to the Government yesterday for tough action over illegal French barriers against British lamb. Mr Richard Butler, president of the National Farmers' Union of England and Wales, said later that British farmers might demand similar illegal protec-tion against imports of food from France.

"Such retaliation would, of course, compound the damage which the French are doing to the common agricultural culture, Fi policy", he said. George Yo The union has claimed State for government aid of £2.3m to ministers match what it seem as unfair Mr Step

bargaining in Brussels about Britain's contribution to the EEC budget or blunted by appeals from consumer groups

The farmers' leaders met Mr Peter Welker, Minister of Agri-culture, Fisheries and Food, Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, and junior overdo the squeeze."

man of the Milk Marketing. Board for England and Wales, growers who sell in Britain. Board for England and Wales, Leaders of the NFU and its said yesterday that dairy surcounterparts in Scotland and pluses in the EEC were much Northern Ireland had asked for lower than they had been for

But remember that we had a price freeze in the late 1960s which resulted in shortages in the early 1970s."

Milk output in the EEC had risen by 5 per cent in 1978 and 21 per cent in 1979. "The EEC: Commission estimate for 1980 is down to 2 per cent. My message therefore is of the need not to

Old alliance under strain.

#### Jenkins 'would boost libility of Liberals' Interviewed in the BBC television programme, Panorama, sting a resurgence of vision programme, Panorama, for the Liberal Party. Mr Steel was asked whether Mr

id Steel, the Liberal east night said that if Jenkins, the former Home Secretary and or of the Exchequer, persuaded to join the it would add greatly rty's credibility.
aftermeth of the good performance at the 1. East, by election, Mr ,iid that his purpose to encourage the maxi-issent from both the ight wing of the Labour id the liberal wing of

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who represents the cialists on the NEC; n Maynard, MP for

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ervative Party. r the Liberal Party's many councillors, canind active party workers

egal aid e under i Chancellor Legal Correspondent

terial responsibility for in criminal cases is to ted from the Home o the Lord Chancellor's means that the Lord lor's department will responsible for both i criminal legal aid, and ears of dissatisfaction e confusing and ineffiivision of responsibility the two departments.

change, which was ed by the Prime Minisa parliamentary written comes after a strong sendation by the Royal ision on Legal Services. eported last year that all id should be under one r, the Lord Chancellor. id to be completed by topher Pitman aged 26, of the completed by Field Road, Reading.

#### Four Hell's Angels found guilty From Our Correspondent

Southampton

Four defendants in the Hell's Angels trial at Winchester Crown Court were found guilty last night of riotous assembly and assault.

An all-male jury failed to agree on verdicts involving the remaining 18 defendants, who deny similar charges. Two saso denied attempted murder. The jury will return to continue considering their verdicts today. The four found guilty are: George Asher, aged 29, an engineer, of Chesmut Close, Black-water, Hampshire; Harold Hein, aged 24, a charge hand, of Ludlow Road, Itchen, Southampton: Graham Maker, aged 18, of Wincanton Road, Whiztransfer of functions is ley Wood, Reading, and Chris-

#### From Christopher Thomas Northern Ireland police offi-

cers have been to West Germany to help in the search for an IRA cell suspected of killing British troops.

The Royal Ulster Constabu-

lary said its officers were back in the province, and refused to elaborate. But there is a clear implication that the IRA men are receiving cooperation from German terrorists. The IRA's activity in Ger-

many has two advantages: their men are unknown whereas they might have difficulty in getting through the security net on the British mainland; and it spreads the propaganda campaign. The cooperation between Ger-

man terrorists and the IRA probably extends to offering "safe houses" and escape vehicles. It is also possible that the IRA is given suggestions of possible targets. Germany's Federal Office of Criminal Investigations is focusing its attention on Basder-Meinhof sympathizers.

Mr Bowles said afterwards:
"I am too sick to say anything
but I shall be appealing against
the conviction."

The borse at the Newton
Abbot meeting which won by
20 lengths was billed as In the
Money, described by the prosecution as a broken-down,
pigeon-toed hack with a disastrous record. The prosecution

world has now got a great big with the query against it." manently of the Bowles said afterwards: falsely claim

trous record. The prosecution said a switch was made and that the real winner was a more successful stablemate called Cobblers March, a horse with six victories and numerous placings.
Mr Bowles had denied

you feel somewhat chastened disbonestly obtaining from about that. I have no doubt Weatherby's, the Jockey Club that your future in the racing agents, £525.76 prize money

**RUC** helps hunt for IRA cell in West Germany The IRA a month ago claimed From Ronald Faux sponsibility for the murder Colonel Mark Coe, of the Edinburgh British Army of the Rhine, out-side his home in Bielefeld, and

> There have been about a dozen bomb attacks on the BAOR in the past few years. The shootings are a new phenomeron, although there have been isolated incidents for which nobody claimed respon sibility. More and more Army personnel carry weapons and a

later wounded two corporals.

series of precautions have been taken. Churches churches in Ireland must accept some of the blame for the country's tragic period of violence, an Irish bishop said in Westminster Cathedral yester-day (the Press Association

reports).
The Church of Ireland Bishop of Menth and Kildare, the Most Rev Donald Caird, attacked their slowness "over decades, if not centuries", in dispelling misleading myths about each other.

#### probably be held to consider sus-pending Mr Bowles's licence. Scheme to boost subsidies on Scottish ferries

The Government is canvass ing views on whether to treat sea lanes to the Scottish islands as highways, so that subsidies to ferry services can be improved.

Office invited views from any organizations or individuals about how the Government's manifesto commitment to increase the ferry subsidy can best be carried out. There as been interest in the

the document points out that, strictly applied, such an approach could mean increas-

travelling by road, although

A consultative paper pub-lished yesterday by the Scottish

Norwegian system of relating ferry charges to the cost of

ing some ferry fares. Alternatively, the document stated, Road Equivalent Tariff (RET) could be used flexibly as a guide to overall subsidy levels, or applied to freight-only traffic at the expense of car and passenger fares.

#### Move to reduce depletion with the intention of per-manently depriving them by falsely claiming that the horse was In the Money. He also denied dishonestly obtaining of white fish

By Our Agriculture
Correspondent
Licences will be required
soon for all but the smallest
boats that carch white fish such
as cod in the English Channel
and near Ireland. Fishing without a licence will be a criminal
offence carrying a maximulm offence carrying a maximum fine of £50,000 on summary conviction, the Government announced yesterday. Four orders were laid yester-

day by Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture. Fisheries and Food. They cover the catch-ing and landing by British boats more than 40 ft long of cod, haddock, whiting, sole and

They will operate from April
7 and will mark the first extension of a licensing system for
white fish into western and south-western waters. Licences will be freely available to fishermen for all five species. If stocks dwindle too fast during the year ministers will have the power to ban catches of any species covered by the licences Scientific evidence has shown that the stocks of white fish to the south-west of Britain are being reduced quickly.

and trade unions for a freeze on many farm prices.

Mr Stephen Roberts, chair-

a meeting with ministers to many years.
insist that their claims for price "We do not want to see rises were not submerged in surpluses grow again", he said-

#### £11m increase in arts grant but council still nearly £7m short

By Kenneth Gosling Arts Reporter

An increase of £11.725m in the Arts Council's grant was announced yesterday, but that will still leave the council nearly £7m short on its commit-

ments for the coming year.
The figure for 1980-81, given in a Commons reply by Mr. Norman St John-Stevas, Chan-cellor of the Duchy of Lancas-ter and Minister for the Arts, is £70m, including £1m for capital spending on buildings for the arts.

The minister said: "While we would all like to do more for the arts, we have to recog-nize our economic difficulties and I feel that in the present circumstances this represents a

He said that after allowance was made for the reduction in last year's grant and for non-recurring capital items, such as the special grant towards purchase of the Covent Garden site in London and erection of the new building, the increase was £11.725m. That meant that expenditure next year would be in line with this year's when allowance was made for infla-

The Arts Council, in a state-ment and background paper, puts the aggregate commit-ment to its 1,200 clients in the coming year at £69.5m.
Although this is only £500,000

more than the cash available for the year, the legacy of excess commitments to be brought forward would increase the commitments to £75,924m, compared with £69m in cash. The total excess of £6,924m is just over 10 per cent of the

Fire destroys

holiday home

From Our Correspondent Colwyn Bay

Another English-owned holi-

A senior detective said it was

suspected that the fire at a timber-built bungalow, had been started deliberately, but the incident did not fit the

pattern of others in the cam-

ary property was stolen. The

which had not been cleared up by the owner. Mr Frederick Monks, of Castle road, Halton,

was left in disorder.

paign against second homes. The bungalow had a history of vandalism, and early in Janu-

day home in Wales ::as destroyed by fire yesterday, this time at Dyserth, near

another

cash base. Although that is a lower proportion than the post-Budget figure for 1979-80, it is higher than the proportion on which the council had planned to operate in that year.

Any cuts in real terms that have to be imposed should be containable, the council says; at the same time, it planned to maintain its level of commit-ment to new work through schemes such as the drama and dance projects, awards to artists and new writing and musical composition. In cash terms, the council

began the current year with £2.725m in outstanding commit-ments brought forward from 1978-79. On the basis of its revenue cash allocation for the year of £58.665m, it committed a further £61.250m, and that took the excess of commitments over cash to £5.310m.
Then the Budget in June cut

the available cash by £1.114m. That put up the commitment excess to £6.424m. Mr St John-Stevas said en-couragement of private arts support would soon enter a more intensive phase; the National Heritage Bill would receive the Royal Assent later this month; public lending right would be in operation in 1982-83; and an announcement about the new Turner Gallery was

expected next month, work on this having taken place at unprecedented speed. Grateful response: The Arts Council said last night that it was "very grateful" to Mr St John-Stevas for his efforts to protect it from the worst of the

#### Government's spending cuts. Leading article, page 13 Australian Test cricketer gets

libel damages Max Walker, the Australian Test cricketer, a member of the Australian side which toured England in 1977, accepted an apology, undisclosed damages, and costs, in the High Court yesterday in settlement of a libel action against Express

Newspapers. Mr Walker, of Inglewood Close, Doncaster, Victoria, complained of an article in the Daily Express in July, 1977, Mr Patrick Milmo, his counsel, told Mr Justice Gibson that the article included allegations that Mr Walker had threatned Mr Jen Maddocks the ened Mr Len Maddocks, the team'ş manager, with physical assault. The newspaper now recognized that the allegation

#### London to have new public gardens

By Robin Young London is to gain new public

gardens in a traditional, but thoroughly refurbished, square. The scheme forms part of the Crown Estate Commisioners' detailed plan for their 28-acre Millbank estate at the northern end of Vauxhall Bridge, and will include a fountain erected to mark the eightieth birthday on August 4 of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother

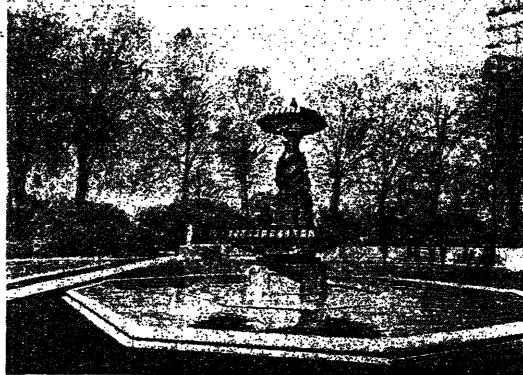
Plans for the estate's redevelopment have been in gestation for years, and were first announced in outline in 1972 Work is in progress on some sites, one new block is complete, and applications for the final detailed planning approvals are before Westminster City Council.

Lord Thomson of Monifieth, the First Commissioner, announced yesterday that it was hoped to complete the scheme by 1985, at a cost estimated at present-day prices at £75m. Lord Thomson also announced that the Drummond Gate com-plex of office buildings planned for the north-western corner of the estate, by Pimlico Under-ground station, has been let in

The new square will be Bessborough Gardens. Both the gardens and the Queen Mother's birthday fountain have been

by solicitors fails

ts entirety to the Metropolitan



An artist's impression of the fountain to mark the Queen Mother's eightieth birthday.

designed by Sir Peter Shep heard, past president of the Royal Institute of British Architects and the lustitute of Landscape Architects.

The fountain, based on the design of the familiar dolphins entwining London Embankment lamp standards, will be in place by the autumn, but completion of the gardens will have to wait on the completion of important road works, widening Vauxhall Bridge Road and Grosvenor Road.

The scheme provides for 390

homes to be let at fair rents bell distance of the Houses of agreed with the local rent officers, compared with 448 homes, mostly let at fair rents,

on the estate now. Rents for a new three-bedroom maisonette, provided with modern bathrooms and central heating, generally absent now, will be £100 a month.

The scheme also provides an additional 399 homes to be sold on short leases, including two new town squares and a luxury block with balconies over the Themes just within division

Elsewhere the scheme pro

vides for rehabilitation of houses in the Ponsonby eres at the east side of the estate; in-filling of bomb sites from the Second World War with facsimile buildings; rebuilding replicas of out-dated terraces; and building modern homes behind a façade which originally fronted the single-room barracks in which James Cubitt housed his workers when the estate was originally

#### **Boards urged to** waive repair charges to blind

Electricity boards should waive their callout charges when their engineers carry out minor repairs for blind con-sumers, the Electricity Con-sumers' Council says in a dis-cussion paper released today. The council found that at present only the North Western Electricity Board would waive the charge when its engineers mended fuses or changed plugs for blind people who could not perform such tasks.

#### Mancunians face more a tang of the satanic pa in threat of growing coa

The city of Manchester, which much of the rest of the world still thinks of as a wet smoky. sathmic sort of place, has al-most completed its smoke elimination programme span-ning more than a century, and can claim a doubling of winter. sunshine hours and a halving of the bronchitis death rate during the past 25 years.

A new difficulty is emerging, however, the risk of an increase in sulphur diaxide air pollution resulting from the world energy

Smoke from coal fires and open chimneys has been almost eliminated by the city's "smoke-less zone" controls, which set lead to the nation in the 1950s, and by subsequenc smoke control area regulations backed by government legislation. More than 90 per cent of the total area of the city of Manchester and 85 per cent of the homes in it are now subject to smoke control orders.

Since 1959 winter smoke has been reduced by 90 per cent but the sulphur dioxide content in the air has been reduced by only 67 per cent. That is the factor which now concerns Mr John Richards, the city's assistant director of environmental health, who is in charge of pollution control.

Sulphur dioxide occurs in oldfastrioned smoke itself, course, but it can also created by modern oil burning heating systems, particularly if cheaper grades of oil with a high sulphur content are used. The present financial climate, Mr Richard thinks, may persuade industrialists and householders to return to coal as a heating and energy agent where

it is permitted.
In a recent paper to the citycouncil he wrote: "The gross smoke and sulphur dioxide pollution which formerly obtained in the city has now been eli-minated but there is no cause for complacency and further improvements in air quality are necessary and desirable.

"The effects of the energy crisis and of the Opec oil price

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John Chart Manchester

to turn to beavier gr a higher sulphur com other fuels.

"The increased de natural gas cannot be pite the willingness potential users to pr Accordingly all th indicate an increasing to return to coal with regard to bosh sulphur dioxide may iorate over the ner rather than continu prove particularly ir centre. It will be hare tain what has been alone secure much fi provement."

If that happens it tragedy for Manches not only earned the being "the home abatement" because pioneering efforts h just after the Secon War but which had in Act of 1844 a proverevery person who st the distance of 100 y any dwelling house, fins or coffin board cags or any offensive so that the same so annovance to any in

should be liable to a to 40 shillings. Manchester bad go control In 1866 its n ficer of health. Dr Ic reported that the exce tality in the city we due to its "vitiated

phere Zoologists record the Manchester moths turn themselves blace camouflage against ! trees. More recent str shown that they are to their original colour as a result of legislation.

#### was jailed for seven years he and Mr Swain had brought after Mr Justice Slade had rethe action as individuals, jected their challenge to the although they had received some earlier this month for an attack on a woman on a canal towpath, was jailed yesterday at Bir-

Court yesterday facing an esti-mated £30,000 bill for costs legality of the Law Society's compulsory insurance scheme. The scheme indemnifies solicitors against civil liability for negligence orofessional breach of duty.
Mr James Swain, who prac-

tises from Staple Inn, London, and Mr Alan McLean, of Burn-ham-on-Sea, Somerset, sought declarations that the scheme was null and void and that the Law Society, the profession's governing body, was not entitled to retain for its own purposes commission received from the insurers on premiums paid by

solicitors. In 1978 the com-mission was £640,000. Mr Justice Slade dismissed the action and ordered the two solicitors to pay the Law Society's costs, with the exception of a modest amount which had been incurred unnecessarily through a pretrial misunder-

standing by the Law Society.
Afterwards Mr McLean said financial support from other solicitors. They had about £10,000 in hand, but costs were unofficially estimated at about

Giving judgment, the judge said he was satisfied that the Solicitors Act. 1974, empowered the Law Society to make the rules setting up the compulsory insurance scheme, and the society was not bound to account to solicitors for any part of the commission received. It was obviously commercial common sense for the Law Society to receive the com-mission, which would be applied

The judge added that it was neither necessary nor appropri-ate to enter into a debate on the merits or demerits of the Law Society's scheme. Law Report, page 14

for the benefit of the profession

#### Insurance scheme challenge | Youth gets two rape sentences within fortnight Albert Bailey, aged 17, who

mingham Crown Court for five years for raping a girl of 14. It was disclosed afterwards that only a few hours after he had been given bail accused of raping the girl of 14 he struck again.
That night, the court was told.

he and another youth pounced on a divorced woman, aged 19. who was forced to strip and was raped. She jumped naked a canal to escape. Bailey, of Oldbury Road, Smethwick, West Midlands, pleaded guilty yesterday to raping the girl on waste ground in the High Street. The sen-

tence is to run concurrently with the seven-year term. At the earlier hearing Mr Justice Mars-Jones ordered that Bailey's name should not be published because a second trial was pending.

Criminals' cash from press taxable

of Appeal yesterday. The court dismissed an ap-

peal by the wife of Charles Wilson, one of the great train robbers, against a High Court robbers, against a High Court money to criminals or their published did not e judge's order that she must wives so as to get a sensational from paying United pay tax on £39,000 she received story to publish." It was legal, tax on it.

Criminals or their relatives from the News of the World and the payments we who sell their stories to newswho sell their stories to newspapers should pay tax on the
money, Lord Denning, Master
of the Rolls, said in the Court

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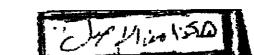
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logy.

The Government accepts the said that a considerable sacrifice is being asked of our sportsmen since to forgo the Olympics would involve the loss of an irreplaceable opportunity. Of course, we fully understand the dilemma many athletes may find themselves in.

The first afform of the Course.

The first efforts of the Government had been to my and get the games moved from Moscow. British athletes had subjected themselves to a hard discipline for many months or years, in order to arrive at peak condition for the

We fully sympathize and under-stand their feelings (be said); we all share the pride of those British athletes who in the past have been successful in the Olympic Games. The Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (Mr Douglas Hurd) was in Geneva with representatives from like-minded countries to examine the possibility of sportsmen com-peting in similar circumstances to the Olympic Games. There were many practical difficulties in the

Governments in a free world Governments in a free world could not organize sporting events. They could encourage but the organization was rightly and properly left for the sporting bodies. They had their own rules and procedure to largely decide when international sporting events took place. He hoped they would note the effort to mount the alternative spanes.

f all contacts in politics, cultural or scientific nore than it was advounce than it was advounce on the concern of MPs about freedom of the individual. He did not

In the circumstances, the tiny-

would be wrong to try to orevent athletes from going by such measures as withdrawal of passports. Certain decisions inevitably flowed from the Government's decision to advise not to go to Maccon. Moscow.

The Sports Council had been advised that public money should not be made available to send athletes to Moscow. It would be wrong for the Government to con-tinue to have an arrache in Moscow belping organize British participa-

The Government's attitude to the leave facilities for civil servants and, members of the armed forces had been unsrepresented and exaggerated. No official instructions had yet gone out.

The Government had decided that is could not grant special paid leave to those working in the pub-lic services for purposes which it believed were against its interests. How individuals used annual cave and whether they asked for unpaid leave were matters, in a free society, for the individual. Naturally, the Government hoped individuals would listen to advice but in the last resort the decision would rest with the individual.

It had been suggested that ath-letes should demonstate their dis-approval while taking part in the events. This was not a course he could commend. To attend was to become a guest and to accept the rules of the host. Relusal to comply with the requirements of the organizers could be represented as disruption or, in Soviet terms, hooliganism.

We are convinced (he said) that e only effective course of action purely and simply non-participa-The British Olympic Association

should be kept separate tront sport. The arguments of the association were fallacious because they ignored the Sovier attitude to the Olympic Games.

politics, not sport.

A wave of arrests of dissidents they ignored the Sovier attitude to people at least in the last few people at least in the last few

The Societ Union saw the games as a propaganda exercise from which they hoped to derive great advantage. Sport engendered enormous public interest among the Soviet people. Without full international participation, the Moscow Olympic Games would be fatally flawed and it would not be easy to hide that fact.

hide that fact.
All this explained why the British Olympic Association was wrong in seeing no difference between the presence of athletes in Moscow and the presence of the British Ambassador. Distinguished as the ambassador

was, his presence in Moscow could not be said to confer a great prop-aganda victory upon the Soviet regime, but the presence of the Western athletes at the games would undoubtedly constitute a great propagated victory for them. If they wished to go, so he it, but they should at least know what they were doing and should reflect carefully before they reached a

final decision.

Mr Brezhnev had said that the Mr Brezhnev had said that the decision to intervene in Afghanistan had been difficult. The decision to decline an invitation to participate in the Olympic Games was no less difficult, but grave breaches of international order required serious responses and there was no other Western response which would be so unequivocably clear to millions of ordinary people in the Soviet Union.

Another important element was the question of human rights and the position of the Soviet dissidents. Dr Sakbarov had said that

their athletes in Moscow would no more signify their approval of Russian behaviour in Afghanistan that the continued presence there of the British Ambassador, and politics should be kept separate from pic Games which were primarily should be the continued presence of the average of the second politics and politics a

months.

Part of this campaign could certainly be ascribed to the 'f(icial concern that nothing should be allowed to mar the resounding

allowed to mar the resounding propagands victory that the Soviet authorities had hoped to gain from the Olympic Games.

The preservation of the Olympic ideal which the new wave of repression represented, would itself be a reason for not going to Moscow this summer. The decision by Western nations not meatricly. hy Western nations not to particlpate in the Olympics would be a message that where Soviet actions

in international affairs were unacceptable. Western nations would not blandly condone them.

The decision to participate would be a betrayal of all they had so courageously fought to defend. The Government believed trans-prominent sporting countries would decide not to to go to Mos-cow and did not believe that under these circumstances that British athletes would want to go to what would be discredited games.

The Government had considered the personal dilemma and dis-appointment of individual athletes appointment of individual athletes and the real difficulties of organizing alternative games. The Government was entitled to ask British athletes and their representatives in consider the international consequences of their action.

The Government believes the said that non-participation in this said that non-partici

summer's Olympic Games offers Western countries the single most effective way of bringing home to the Soviet regime and the Russian

#### £70m grant for Arts Council

Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Chan-cellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Arts, announced that the Government grant to the Aris Council for the coming year would be 170m.

Mrs Rence Short (Wolverhampton. Mrs hence short (volvernampud, North-Eist, Lab)—I do not wish to be churlish to Mr St John-Stevas but that £9m increase does not make up for the cut of £1.25m, the Government made in the arts, nor for the 20 per cent inflation which the labour-intensive arts are suf-fering from acutely. Nor does it in any way meet the doubling of the VAT on the arts. What prospect can be offer of an improved situa-

Mr Norman St John-Stevas Or Norman St John-Stevas (Chelmsford, C)—I am the last person to accuse her of being churlish to me, but she is less than her usually generous self

on these matters. The fact is that the Arts Council grant amounts to £11.75m and we hope that the inflation rate will not be 20 per cent this year. That £11.75m represents an increase of 20 per cent and that is a fair deal for the arts.

I should much rather see a bigger grant, but in these circumstances, I think she will agree that the arts have not done too badly. Mr Patrick Cormack (South-West Staffordshire, C)-Would the minister bear in mind that it would be helpful if the Arts Council knew Government intentions further

Mr Norman St John-Stevas—That is a fair point. It has been a particularly difficult year. We have had reviews of all expenditure going on, but this announcement has been made earlier than

the general announcements on public expenditure. The Arts Council gets earlier informal notification, I hope that next year there will be different circum-stances and we shall be able to get these anouncements over earlier. Mr Andrew Faulds, Opposition sookesman on the arts (Warley, spokesman on the arts (Warley, East, Lab)—Perhaps the Minister will temper his euphoria and show penitence, because this grant does not meet inflation rates and the likely inflation rate under this Government's policies. Government's policies.

Mr Norman St John Stevas—At a period of cut back in Government expenditure, we can all be proud of the arts figure.

On penitence, I have no doubt I have a great deal to be sorry for—like most people—but when Mr Faulds makes an act of contribon, for his sins, I shall happly join him.

#### **Property** and life While the Government has made in Wales at risk

A BBC television programme about arson in holiday cottages in Wales gave a platform for a limited minority view which would encourage further acts of arson.

Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales said durant on the told Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab) that there had been a continuing positive response by the business world to appeals for increased sponsorship of the arts. State for Wales, said during ques-

He said the broadcasting authorities should consider the conse-quences of their action when properry and life were put at risk

Mr Abse (Pontypool, Lab) asked— To mitigate the effects upon the investment from outside Wales as investment from outside Wales as a consequence of the arson taking place there, has he had, as I understand he was going to have, discussions with the Home Secretary to ensure that we have no more programmes, irresponsible as they have been, from the BBC which indicate that they have colluded with arsonists and have presented unbalanced programmes which act as an inclinent to arson?

pics.
If the Government was de-Mr Edwards (Pembroke, C)-I am If the Government was de-termined to step athletes from going as distinct from advising them not to go, it knew it would have to come to the House and ask for specific power. Quasi compulsion was repugant. It reflected the lack of under-standing of the people the Gov-ernment had been elected to lead. The British people could be perin touch with the Home Secretary.
I expressed my views about this programme before it was held. I do not accept the case put forward by Sir Michael Swann in a letter to The Times justifying this programme. In my view it pre-sented and gave a platform to a limited minority view which will encourage further acts of that kind, and the Chief Constable, of North Wales has stated that it will make his task more difficult. The British people could be per-suaded but they always refused We have here (he said) in thus

I hope that the broadcasting authorities will consider carefully the consequences of their action when property and life are being put at risk.

Sir Anthony Meyer (West Flint, C1—What contribution does he think the programme of arson of country cottages in North Wales is naking to the creation of employment, particularly in North Wales?

Has he received from Plaid Cymru an unequivocal denuacia-tion not only of the acts of arson but of the motives behind these

Mr Edwards-I hope that all MPs would condemn action that damaged and destroyed property and endangered life. He is right that they do serious damage to the economy of the area. They will weaken the tourist industry and may prevent and deter investment from coming in.

I hope that all MPs and all political parties will condemn these acts with full vigour. I would hope members of Plaid Cymri would join in that condemnation. Mr Dafydd Thomas (Merioneth, Pl

Cymru)—He will be aware of the statements I have made at successive sessions of the committee on the Housing Bill on this issue. I am certain he would like to draw the attention of Sir Anthony Meyer to Mr Edwards-It would belo the

House if he had repeated the con-demantion, if that is what it was, in unequivocal terms today. I have not seen his observations in the Housing Bill committee. If it vas a condemnation of this arson. I welcome the statement he has House adjourned, 9.53 pm.

#### Increase in business sponsorship of arts

While the Government has made clear that it will continue public support of the arts. for any increase in patronage, the arts must look in the private sector. Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas, Chanceilor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Arts said at question time.

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Air Hamilton—It is obvious that the arts will have to depend more and more on private sponsorship, since the Government will not give since the Government with the give adequate funds to enable the arts to prosper by that means. Will he undertake, in view of the enormous windfall profits of the oil companies and the banks to approach them to disperse some of their ill-gotten-gains? Mr Norman St John-Stevas-Mr Hamilton is not right. The

Government has made clear that it intends to continue public support for the arts, but I agree that for any increase we must look to the private sector. We have had considerable success. ARSA estimates that private support ruts at up to \$5m a year. I accept the suggestion that the tonks and off companies should be approached for their legitimate-not their ill-gotten-gains and I am happy to suggest, with Mr Hamilton's support, that they should make an even bigger contribution to the arts.

Mr Robert Atkins (Preston, North, C)—Does the minister think that sponsorship by the private sector will overcome the problems for the theatre of 15 per cont VAT?

Mr Norman St John-Stevas— That is a different issue. I hope that the increase in private sponsorship will help, not only theaters, but the entire arts world

#### New task for Lord Chancellor

Mr Nicholas Baker (North Dorset, C) asked whether the Prime Minister had reached a decision about the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Legal Services relating to ministerial responsibil-ity for legal aid.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, in a written reply, said—Yes. An order will be laid before the House transferring to the Lord Chancellor responsibility for legal aid in criminal proceedings in England and Provision will similarly be made for the Lord Chancellor to assume responsibility for costs in criminal

It is intended that the Lord Chancellor will also assume responsibility for both tivil and criminal legal aid in Northern Ireland when this is administratively

#### **Lord Soames** welcomed

House of Lord
Lord Soames, Lord President of
the Council and Leader of the
House, was welcomed back on his
return from Rhodesia.
Lord Goronwy-Roberts, for the
Opposition, said they were
delighted to see him back after his
trying but successful time in the
service of Britain there.
We welcome (he continued) how
he has responded to and

he has responded to and encouraged the new Prime Minis-ter of Zimbabwe who, by word and deed, has shown a good example to everyuse in Africa on how to pro-ceed in future.

What that Prime Minister has done since he was appointed by the Governor General should serve as.

Governor General should serve as, an encouragement to the South African Republic to be considerably more forthcoming about cooperating in the emergence of Namibia to independence similar to that of Rhodesia.

New terrorism adviser The appointment of another adviser to the Home Secretary (Mr William Whitelaw) was announced by Lord Beistead, Under Secretary, Home Office, when he moved the Prevention of Terrorism (Tempor-ary Provisions) Act 1976 (Con-inuance) Order. Mr Whitelaw had asked Lord

Mr Whitelaw had asked Lord Underhill to become an adviser on some of the exclusion orders under the Act. He had agreed. The order was approved. The British Aerospace Bill. which has passed the Commons and which provides for the dissolution of British Aerospace, completed the committee of the co

#### PLO must be in Middle East settlement

It would be a great mistake to assume that a Middle East settleassume that a Middle hast settle-ment was possible without taking into account the Palestine Libera-tion Organization, which was not as such a terrorist organization. Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, said in question time exchanges.

Lord Byers, leader of the Liberal neers, had asked him if he regarded the PLO as a terrorist organization.

Lord Carrington—I do not think the PLO as such is a terrorist organization. I think there are some elements of the PLO which in some elements of the PLU watch in the past have been associated with the terrorists, but it would be a mistake to assume that it is possible to get a sectlement in the area without taking into account the

#### Commission's papers

The Government was aware that disquiet had been expressed about the continuing confidentiality of records still in the hands of the Price Commission. Lord Trefgame, Price Commission. Lord Treigane, a Lord in Waiting, said following consideration of amendments to the Competition Bill.

When the commission was abolished all its remaining files would become the property of the Secretary of State for Trade.

The Bill was read the third time and passed.

## scow should not be allowed an Olympics spectacle some would call the smack of firm government and others would call a taste of tyramy (Labour cheers). No athletes in the employment of central government were to be given leave to attend the Olym-

on foreign and Comaffairs (Tower Ham-ey and Poplar, Lab) in amendment: House, condemns invasion of Afghan-s upon the Soviet to withdraw immed-

re interests of world detente in Europe; at an effective rehe Olympics as in the trading and political only be achieved by substantial common among the govern-sporting authorities of urope, the United merica and elswhere; Government's failure properly with the dies in this country; the right of individual

the end of the day reir own decisions." hat they had listened ppy and unconvincing i Sir Ion Gilmour. He iere that any MP on who claimed to have ourse to take," would ision made any easier s Margaret Thatcher's d initiative in the

the had opened the ination of the Sovier f Afghanistan. Nor c be. Whatever the ires might be, their hreached international flouted international ce of a small neigh-ite and were engaged nuing armed struggle numbers of its people. nnic Games (he said) ence in July, if they ranied not merely by of national anthems end of gunfire in the and the villages and

Afghanistan.

politics should be kept apart. That was the dominant opinion of sportsmen who were concerned, above all, with pitting their strengths and skills against other competing sportsmen. Hardly at all were they concerned with the political system in which they

and their competitors lived. He understood that view but He understood that view but did not share it. It was not the view of the Labour Party, of Commonwealth governments nor of the International Olympics Committee, all of whom had insisted that South Africa, where racial discrimination was the dominant principle in society which affected the organization of sport, should be excluded from the world of sport.

The question of principle on the linkage of sport with international and external policy caused no difficulty for him or his party. The question was whether it was sensible to apply it to the Soviet Union in the context of Afghani-stan and whether sufficient common agreement, which to be effective had to be collective otherwise it was a unilateral gesture, could be effectively

monitized.

The Soviet Union's motives might be complex but it had involved the swallowing up of a neighbouring independent country neighbouring independent country and the suppression of its people. He was not convinced that to switch the Olympic Games would aftersely affect human rights and civil liberties in the Soviet Union or heighten tension between the great powers. The Soviet Union had already, since the invasion, shown its approach to civil and human rights in as dramatic a way as they could find by stripping the as they could find by stripping the most renowned of their human rights leaders of all his bonours and banishing him from Moscow, where he and his fellow protesters might be in touch with Western

visitors to the Olympics. Neither in the West nor the Soviet Union was there any intention of abandoning the major advances of the last decade or allowing the resumption of the old cold war. This was a limited and specific action in the civil

He had sympathy with those who protested against double standards in these matters. A resolution on the Commons order paper the fore the Soviet move against Knowing this and the Government Afghanistan invited the House to Afghanistan invited the House to support the forthcoming British Lions Rugby tour of South Africa and called on the Government to

do likewise. His own view was that they would be doing Russia a singular favour if they and others allowed Moscow the great spectacle and triumph of the 1930 Olympic Games. After Afghanistan and unless there was a change in their policy and occupation there, why should they? (Cheers.)

It was reasonable to suppose that if a sufficient number of countries decided not to attend this more clearly than anything else would communicate to the Soviet people as well as their government the condemnation of the world as already expressed at the United Nations.

On the other hand, for the world community to send their athletes to Moscow now would be interpreted by the Soviet people or interpreted for them, as international acceptuace and approval of the Soviet Philon and its rolling and its rolling. of the Soviet Union and its poli-cies. He found repugnant the image of British athletes at the opening and final ceremonies or whenever British success was secured parading with the flag and anthem and paying collective res-ponse to the leaders of the Soviet Union.

Union.

The House was being asked to declare itself against the United Kingdom taking part without any regard to the conditions laid down on January 17 by the Prime Minister. Those conditions

If only a handful of the leading nations of sport stayed away, the impact on the Moscow spectacle would be greatly reduced and so would the possibility of organizing alternative high level events. There was a danger of Western divisions being exploited to the advantage of Moscow to their own embarrassment.

If neither the national Olympics committee nor the other sporting authorides in Britain could be persuaded to agree, there was a

ment's desire to deny Moscow the Olympic Games, ane would have thought the period from January 17 would have seen intense consultations with their European and other allies to secure concerted action and intensive discussions with the various British sporting bodies. As for as he could judge, this had just not happened. Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab)—What is he actually saying? Is he saying that if all the Western countries agreed then we ought to stay away? (Cries of Yes".)

That is totally contrary to a midely held view on this side and in the mass of the Labour move-

in the mass of the Labour movement. Mr Shore said be understood there were different views. There was a free vote.

He was giving his view and giving it as truthfully as he could

(Conservative cheers).

There was no consultation before the Prime Minister's first statement on January 17. There was no consultation with the British Olympics Committee beyond one formal meeting between the Minister for Sport and Sir Denis Follows. The art of persuasion of winning consent was not a strong suir of the Prime Minister or of her Cabinet. If action in the Olympic sphere was to be effective, there had to be a winning of consent both abroad and at home.

Where were the alternative sites (Conservative cheers).

Where were the alternative sites to which the Lord Privy Seal had referred on an earlier occasion? What were the views of the sportof play now in trying to reach agreement with Britain's principal allies and with other countries? The House had not yet been told

the Government was treating the House with cynicism. There was as earthly reason why the House should be expressing a view today simply because a Foreign Minister was meeting a handful of other ministers in Geneva.

If the Government did not obtain and control had did not say university. substantial—he did not say univer-sal—agreement at home and abroad with its own sporting people and with a number of countries who were principally con-cerned, it would only do great damage to the reputation of this

Olympics issue all the makings of a total botch. What started as a reasonable and widely shared ob-

jective has been turned by in-competence and mishandling into a source of serious division and one that is likely to be damaging to us all. (Conservative protests). In putting forward the resolution

In such circumstanc not recommend a British boycott but rather concentrate on how British athletes could avoid the more offensive ceremonies which were

The House had nor yer been told yet this was crucial to any sensible took or decision the House made tonight.

Following the initial reply by Sir Denis Follows, the Prime Minister seemed to have lost her patience and in anger and frustration decided to turn on the unfortunate athletes themselves.

Last week (he said) we had what

#### d always been a strong this country that interrld peace is more important than a few gold medals

ey Rippon (Hexham, however much they et the bringing of sport cs, he believed they ycott the Olympics in nis year. Holding the in Moscow specifically the city of Moscow and v in which the games. That was what he found ectionable in present cir-

Sir Denis Follows and tes might wish to think, appearance of condoned act of aggression of tal kind would be wrong onal interest and in the f the free world. ings of the athletes were understandable although mistaken and thoughtathletes were entitled to from their administra-

ond Fletcher (likeston, a boycott of the games engthen the position of ners in the Kremlin who build better and bigger s, frigates, and nuclear

hieres should go to thile it was made clear sporting activities there sporting activates there is not a support for the nof dissidents and Charter 77 or the interAfghanistan, than was arance of Jesse Owens 6 Olympics a support for the national theories of the national egime of Adolf Hitler. Winterton (Macclessaid if the Government orward a proposal for a on of the Soviet Union, port, but a trading, com-ultural and political boy-would have had no Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walin supporting such a

y limited action that the nt had taken so far to anny against Afghanistan y inadequate.

epted the arguments of rament that British athuld be persuaded not to scow, but was not pre-take that action in from other action which rument itself could take. ad the Government not the sporting agreement cow reached by the pre-vernment? Why had it raws one member of the 1 the British Embassy in Why were large comffice in Moscow at this hy should the EEC be o go on supplying cheap.
d food to the Soviet
that it could spend more ids on military hardware?

Mr Michael McGuire (Ince, Lab) said Russia would use the games as a rebicle for propaganda, say-ing that the West was not bothered phony the invasion of a defenceless He hoped the Olympic Commit-tee would get the message. Most people in this country would be affronted if the Commons on a free vote voted in favour of ath-letes going to Moscow. MPs had a duty to say they condemned the invasion and that was the best way to humiliare a country which deserved to be humiliated. He would vote for the boycott.

would vote for the boycon. Mr. Hugh Fraser (Sufford and Stone, C) said that he did not know what was meant by neutralizing Afghanistan. That was hardly a doctrine that would give encouragement to those fighting against the Soviet attack on Afghanistan.

This matter should not fall on This matter should not fail on the athletes alone. It was possible that by June or July when a wasteland had been made of Afghanistan the Soviet Union would say it was prepared for neutralization.

There had been a ritual dance about the Olympic Games, and diplomatic buffoonery. These were serious matters. There should be a proper response to one of the most bestial acts in modern his-

ton Lab) said he could not sup-Labour amendment. Both of them avoided the serious issues with which they were faced. They could only discuss this matter if they locked at the whole international scene, the build-up of tension and the dangers that could arise if that tension was heightened.

It was not just a question of athletes going or not going to Mos-cow. They could easily find them-selves in a situation where they were heading rowards a third

world war. He regretted that an amendment He regretted that an amenument which he and other Labour MPs had tabled—calling on the Soviet Union to withdraw its troops, stating that the boycott would be counter productive, and urging that British athletes should be allowed to take part in the games—was no called so that they could were for their position. vote for their position. He was bitterly opposed to the Russian invasion. No one could vertiment must take more reasonal involves. The one could terested in a partial Olympics the areas where it could accuse him of being soft in relation terested in a partial Olympics

if it expected British athletes to give up the opportunity of Olympic medals.

The peace and stability of the world was more important than a few gold medals. The Government must act and not just use sportmen as their sole political pawn in this whole procedure.

Mr Michael McGuire (Ince, Lab) wild Rossia would use the games war.

If they fought an oppressor with similar methods against their own people they would not win support among the people. The official Labour amendment did not clarify where they stood. Either one was for sending the athletes or one was

Mr Michael Brotherton (Louth, C) said the only effective way to get a message across to the people of Russia that the invasion of Afchanistan was entirely disapproved of was through the medium of the Olympic Games.

or inpit could not under-stand that by sending international athletes to compete in the games at Moscow they were giving comfort and succour to the Soviet Union. Mr Clement Freud (Isle of Ely, L) mr ciement Freue (Isle of Ely, L) said the Liberals would support the amendment because they deplored the Government's way of enforcing the sanctions. It was asking the athletes to bear the brunt of its displeasure. It was asking athletes to accept the supreme sacrifice while it was keeping officials in the embassy in Moscow to look after

Mr Terence Higgins (Worthing, C) said it would be counter-productive if the Covernment and House appealed to the athletes not to go to Moscow and then they went just

The Russians would exploit the Moscow Olympics for political purposes. It did not follow that in a free country they should go ahead and use sport for political purposes in order to damage the Russians. The essential point was that they had to persuade the athletes not to go. The events of the last few days had not been helpful in persuading them to boycott the Moscow Games.

If the Government wanted to

persoade the athletes not to go it

should put a unilateral stop on new export credit subsidies. That would have a significant impact. The Gov-eviment should make a renewed effort to stop the export of the butter mountain at subsidized prices from the EEC. (Cheers.) He had grave doubts whetherthe idea of an alternative Olympics was at all feasible, hieres viewed the proposals with great cynicism. The whole point about the Olympic Games was what the late lau Maclead used to call the pursuit of excellence Athletes were not in-

Mr Eldon Griffiths (Bury St Edmonds, C) saids thletes could not contract out of a national political issue simply because they were athletes, but British athletes prevent further shipments of agripolitical issue simply because they were athletes, but British athletes were entitled to expect tha tthey should not stand alone.

If they were tobe expected to give up a chance of a lifetime they were entitled to look to the Goveroment and the rest of the nation to make equivalent gestures in other directions. Mr James Wellbeloved Bexley, Erith and Crayford, Lab) said there months afterthe invasion of

Afghanistan the Soviet proops were still there and people were still being mardered and it would be a disgrace if that action and suppression should be condoned by the international sporting community by their going to the Moscow

Mr Tam Daiyell (West Lothian, Lab) said he disputed the prmise on which the debate was taking place tha tthe regretable invasion of Afghanistan was simply to be seen in terms that were wholly black. This was a complex issue and there were various shades of Bestial acts were being done in Afghanistan before asoldier of the Red Army entered the country; 58,000 people had had their throats cut in the four months before they went in. He conceded that if it was

about global aggression their ath-letes would have no business in going, but the difficult mountains of Afghanistan were an oddplace to start a global aggression. Mr Winston Churchill (Stretford. C) said the Russians regarded the Olympics as a political orgy in glorification of Soviet foreign and

domestic policies.

Those who go (he said) in quest of devalued gold in Moscow will be paying tribute to the guardians of the world's greatest concentration Mr Denis Howell, Opposition spokesman on sport (Birmingham, Small Heath, Lab), said that some had known for a long time that sport could not be divorced from the country but that was a lot different but the lot different politics, but that was a lot different from saving sport would be

used as a political weapon and that the Olympic Games were the only effective way of confronting the Soviet Union over Afghanistan. The sportsmen should not allow themselves to be browbeaten or brainwashed. In the face of all the double talk, discriminatory treatment, no effective action taken on ment, no extentive action taken on trade, petty pressures on teachers, civil servants and now involving funds of the British Olympic Association, they had every right to assert their right to be in Muscow and to represent their country with the greatest distinction.

recent the surpluses to the Soviet Union. The European Commission recent ydecided to consider again tenders for the subsidized sale of intervention butter.

As to the transfer of scientific technology to the eastern block the Government was now considering with its allies how they could tightwith its aimes now new could tight-en the rules over exports to the Soviet Union. Until that had been considered Britain would not sub-mit any proposals for exports to the Soviet Union to the Comecon

the Soviet Union to the Contecon committee.

The Government was not asking Britain to make a unitateral decision to boycott the Olympic Games and to act alone in the world. The world was already taking decisions in country yafter country.

The Government had to consider what the saw to Government. what to say to Government employees who wished to take part in the Moscow games. Applications for special leave without pay and for annual leave would not be refused except on operational

Applications for special leave with pay were unlikely to be accepted. There would be no question of adverse or permanent career damage to those who felt they ought to go.

Mr Howell-Would be state cate Mr Howell—would de state Cate-gorically that the funds collected voluntarily by Servicemen and their wives for supporting the Bri-tish Olympic Association will with-out further let or hinderance be allowed to pass to that organizarion?

certainly be made available but not as part of the cost of going to Moscow Olympics. (Noisy interruptions and shouts of "Cheat" nd "Robber".)
The Government would take no steps to interfere with citizens who decided to travel to Russia for the

Mr Reseltine—Those funds wil

Olympics. The decision on whether to cover the games rested with the broad-casting organizations. The Govern-ment would not interfere with the decisions they took. The amendment was rejected by

305 votes to 183-Government majority 117, and the motion car-

ried by 315 votes to 147-Govern-

House adjourned, 10.56 pm.

ment majority, 168.

Parhamentary notices House of Commons
Today at 2.30: Social Security Bill
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#### Dutch offer to mediate as Howe plea gets deaf ear in Brussels

Brussels, March 17

A strong plea by Sir Geof-frey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, for a redress of Britain's EEC budget deficit was greeted by other EEC finance ministers here today with what he himself described as "a deafening silence".

The gulf between Britain and its EEC partners on the budget issue was apparently so deep that other member states did not consider it worthwhile even to go through the motions of repeating their aiready well-

Mr Alfons Van der Stee, the Dutch Finance Minister, is flying to London tomorrow for talks with Sir Geoffrey in an attempt to persuade him that Britain must reduce its budget claim if there is to be any chance of agreement.

The Dutch Finance Minister said he was prepared to offer to mediate between Britain and the rest of the Community if Sir Geoffrey could offer some sign that his Government was prepared to be more flexible than hitherto.

Mr Van der Stee confessed, however, that he was "deeply essimistic " about the chances of a solution to the budget dis-pute being found at the next EEC summit meeting in Brussels on March 31 and April 1. Sir Geoffrey told his EEC colleagues that the size of Pritain's net contribution dicted to reach £1.300m this year—was "indefensible". It was essential that the summit meeting should lead to agree-ment on both the amounts and

for Britain. Britain is asking for a £350m refund on its gross contribution to budget revenue, supplemented by an increase of between £550m and £650m in British receipts from the budget which, on a per capita basis, are at

the duration of financial relief

Community average. · Sir Geoffrey said there was no technical obstacle to achieving the British objectives, sino had shown hos extra EEC funds could be channelled to agreed development projects in Eritain. It was simply a ques-tion of generating the political

prepared to see a budget solu-rion as part of a wider ser-tlement of Community disputes, on such matters as lamb, fish and the level of farm prices, Sir Geoffrey replied that he understood why other member states were seeking to make this link. In their position he would do the same.

But the Chancellor carefully refrained from saying whether Britain was in practice prepared to consider such a trade off. The British budget claim, he said "commands and requires a solution on its own

The contentious budget issue is to be taken up again to-morrow by Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, and other EEC foreign ministers. It seems unlikely however that they will be able to advance debate much further than their financial colleagues. Everything thus now waits on the summit meeting.

Schmidt meeting: Discretion was the keyword after the four and a half hour working dinner which President Giscard d'Estaing had with Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, at his home in Hamburg last night (Charles Hargrove writes from Paris).

The President said after-wards the meeting had "been particularly useful with a view to meeting the coming dead-lines which are important both for Europe and for the world". Today, the spokesman of the Elysee Palace emphasized that France has the political will to achieve an equitable solu-tion" to the problems facing the member countries of the European Community.

This solution must deal with all the problems concerned. But in order to achieve it, "the order to achieve it, political will of Prance must be shared by her parmers".

He added that the discussions etween the two statesmen had exhaustive and very friendly, and covered not only the Community's difficulties, but all international issues. Both had agreed in particular

that it was necessary to get the Euro-Arab dialogue under way again. This was a constant theme of the talks M Giscard on or generating the political d'Estaing had with rulers of ill.

the Gulf states and of the Asked whether Britain was Arabian peninsula.



The King and Queen of Spain arriving in Copenhagen on a three-day state visit to Denmark.

with their invaluable trailors

tractors. There

scarcely any vounteers available to work with the soldiers.

In the words of M René Martin,

people here will no longer lend a helping hand. They have had it, brimful and flowing over." Local people complain that

"Polmar plan", which was worked out after the Amoco Cadiz disaster, was taken far too late because the authorities

were afraid of spending money. Another local grumble is that

virtually nothing seems to have

been learnt about cleaning up polluted beaches or dispersing

oil at sea in the two years that

have passed since the Amoco

plastic sheeting to protect the beaches has been available. So far the Ministry of the

Environment has allocated one

million francs to the work of

cleaning up the Tanio oil, and

further money is available if needed. Studies on the impact

went down Insufficient

decision to launch the

the Mayor of Tregastel:

#### Bretons angered by apparent failure to stem oil pollution along their coastline

Paris, March 17 With the worst of the high spring tides of this week still to come, the thick black oil from the tanker Tanio has now reached more than 60 miles of Brittany beaches. The prefec-ture in the Côte du Nord still describes the situation as being "not very serious", but local people are beginning to show increasing resentment at what they see as lack of official action to minimize oil pollution along their coastline.

So far the oil has only seriously polluted a small enough area around the pink granite coast at Tregastel, Ploumanouch and Perros Guirec. Here every tide brings in more oil, making it look as though the hundreds of soldiers working with buckets and spades to clear it away had been doing nothing.

In fact something like 2,300 tounes of oil have been scraped off the beaches, but that still leaves an estimated 4,000 tonnes large—double the amount which has already caused so much trouble.

The worst-hit beaches are experiencing their third "black time" in 13 years and people who remember the Torrey Conyon in 1967 and the Amoco Cadiz two vears ago claim that

is proving the most difficult to ear. The people along this coastline appear to have come to the conclusion that they have had enough of bearing the brunt of this too regular form of pollution. Yesterday no farmers came forward to help dying by the hundred in the thick grease.

The first claims for compensation from oyster batcheries and shellfish firms have started to come in and, even though the holiday season. The tourist cancellations.

Just how much the affair will cost in terms of cleaning and compensation will not be known for some time. Much may depend on the success of the British insurers in being able to refloat the forward section of the ship, which sank 35 miles off Roscoff with 11,000 tonnes of oil trapped in its tanks. Otherwise the oil will have to be pumped up an

bird life have been ordered and a government expert has been dispatched to lead the work of resuing the birds thought to be

beaches should be clear by trade is already receiving some

extremely costly process.

The legal argument surrounding the Amoco Cadiz is still

expected to last a further three years, with the 150 French plaintiffs claiming a total of 3,000 million francs damages. Sevent thousand documents have so far been filed, and the tanker company is mounting a the ground that the wreck was

## Afghan émigré leaders Mr Carhas nan haggle over power while tribesmen fight

Peshawar, March 17

A large freshly painted house on the edge of Peshawar, the sprawing former British Army garrison town, has just been taken over by one of the principal: Afghan political groups fighting the Soviet-supported regime of Bahrak Karmal in Afghanistan.

The move from dingy rooms down an alleyway adds prestige to Professor Burhan Rabani, aged 40, the bearded leader the Islamic fundamentalist Ismist movement who seems set to become president of the Islamic Alliance for the Libera-tion of Afghanistan, an um-brella organization of five anti-communist émigré groups. But it also suggests a certain permanence on the Pakistan side of the frontier.

Professor Rabani himself gives a cautious answer when asked whether the alliance is potentially an Afghan Government in exile: "We have plans. we have territories", he said where we might establish a government—not in exile but on Afghan soil. We are study-ing to see how the security of our government could be established."

When asked if any date is envisaged, he replied: "After we have seen what support we get from other countries. We shall go ahead." The best place would be inside Afghanistan, because setting up a government in Peshawar "might make difficulties for Pakistan"—with the Russians, orideatly evidently.

The Afghan anti-communist groupings started coming to Peshawar just 30 miles from the Pakistani Afghan frontier at the Khyber Pass, almost three years ago after the initial Kabul coup. While the Afghan tribesmen sit wretchedly in the refugee camps set up by the refugee camps set up by me Pakistani Government and assisted by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, waiting for the arms with which to go back and fight, their leaders in Peshawar, the capital of Pakistan's North-West Frontier Province, lead the bitter life of intrigue and unreality typical of emigré unreality typical of emigre political groups. A Maulvi (an Islamic learned

man) in one of the camps on the road to the Khyber Pass was frank about his political leaders. "It might be better", he said through an interpreter, if instead of sitting and drinking tea, our leaders, would go, and inspire our tribesmen to greater fighting by their presence inside Afghanistan; we would gladly leave these tents behind and go with them to head the tribesmen and sacri-

fice our lives".

There are other critical voices to be heard among the refugees.
At the last count there were 14 émigré political groups, often

Russians

gas attacks

The Soviet Union has again angrily denied that its troops in Afghanistan have used

poisonous gas in attacks on Muslim tribesmen, and have described Western news agency

reports of such an attack on February 22 as "frauds" and

Today's denial published by Pravda is one of a number of

sharply worded commentaries recently on the reports, which

have stung the Soviet Union. Pravda said the story was an

example of American propa-ganda leaning over backwards to slander the internationalist aid given by the Soviet state to

the Afghan people.

The story's origin among the

Basmachi gang of Afghan fighters who received weapons from Pakistan through the Khyber Pass was fresh proof of

who was actually supporting

the gangs sowing death in Afghanistan, the newspaper

said.
Meanwhile, Soviet corres-

pondents in Kabul today denounced the Japanese deci-

sion to grant Pakistan S1.5m (£680,000) aid for Afghan refugees. A Tass report described the refugees as "gangs

of mercenaries in Pakistan's

territory who are armed and trained by American and Chinese instructors and then

sent back into Afghanistan to fight against the Government

and people

monstrous fabrications".

an established movement splir-ting off under its own strongwilled leader. The Islamic Alli ance groups five of them, but Hezb-i Islami led by Mr Gulbuddin Hakmatyar, an engineer who is 34, claims as his adherents 65 per cent of the mojaheddin, the Islamic insur-

Hezb and the Jamiet movement of Professor Rabani, Mr Hakmaryar told me, were unable to agree on a representation weighted according to estimated support among the guerrillas; this was the chief reason why his group remained outside the alliance. The Hezb outside the altrance. The flezo leader urged foreign governments not to recognize what he called a "minority organization", referring to the alliance.

An Afghan village school-teacher speaking in one of the camps, blamed the divisions on "the self-interest of the leaders".

An Afghan émigré newspaper editor, who returned a fortnight ago from a visit to his native province west of Kabul, maintained that the main share of the fighting in Afghanistan

trated too much on recruiting support among the refugees. The latest official figures give just under 500,000 refugees in the North-West Frontier Province, with about 100,000 more in Baluchistan. The North-West Prontier Province, particularly its tribal agencies along the

gees, even among educated Pakistanis. A Pakistani economist said: "I think the Western media have romanticized the Afghan freedom fighters, reenacting their great struggle against the British last century.

who come here with their families have known only mounof life. Pakistan may seem poor country to you, but it is like Paris to them."

Sleek Mercedes cars with Afghan number plates amid the bullock carts and traps of the local population in Pesharaz are a reminder that not all refugees are backward tribesmen awaiting their world food programme and United Nations rations. There are enterprising bus:nessmen too.

If the refugees do not go back soon, and few Pakistanis I met believe they will economic rivalries will be an increasing

## win in

From David Cross Washington, Marth President Carter another series of ing victories age Edward Kennedy win in Puerto Rico presidential printer With 99 per cent counted, Mr Carter

52 per cent, comp per cent for the Massachusetts. Thi the President 21 de Democratic nations in New York a against 20 for Mr The outcome in provided some so Kennedy, who had Carter in his hom Campaigning in a Kennedy describer. he thought his canow on the mo

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the general

camo denied. Early returns f sippi, South Ca Wyoming, which caucuses at the week, provided mor victories for the F If this was not for Mr Kennedy, the worse news for his of a public opinio lished today.
The public regareven less trustw

former President Carter led the lis trusted . politicians The survey also re 41 per cent of those thought that Mr Ni

#### **Print union** fined in Frankfurt

Frankfurt, March 17.-West Germany's printing union was ordered to pay DM58,200 (£14,500) in damages today for preventing The Times from issuing a German-based weekly edition last April. A Frankfurt court made the

award to a local firm which

contracted to print the edition. It said the union should have ensured that demonstrations outside the firm were peaceful. The Times tried to publish in Frankfurt four months after ceasing publication in London. The British unions persuaded German trade unionists to prevent the publication and protest rallies by the IG Druck and Papier Union became violent when leftist extremists

The court said IG Druck intervened illegally in the dispute and could not plead that it was a normal strike. As organizer of the rallies the union was responsible for seeing they remained peaceful, it said.—Reuter.

#### . Avalanches kill three skiers in French Alps

Chamonix March 17.—Ava-lanches in the French Alps killed one Canadian and two American skiers over the weekend. Alpine police reported Mr Barry Burt Glass, aged

39, a computer expert from Florida living in Borex. Switzerland, was killed when a huge mass of snow slid over him at Contamines-Montjoie, near St Gervais.

The names of the other two skiers who were killed at l'Aiguille des Drues, near Chamonix, were not known.— Agence France-Presse.

The enduring controversy about the wartime past of M Georges Marchais, the Communist leader, which started a

fortnight ago by the allegations

in the news magazine L'Express, have provoked the party militants to close ranks around him on a scale that the leadership itself finds surprising.

But, conversely, the Communist attacks continue unabated against the Socialists, in

ted against the Socialists, in general and M François Mit-

terrand, their leader, in par-

least as many skeletons in his cupboard. The Communists accuse the Socialists of being the objective allies of the right

as shown by the disaffection of

munist candidates in local elec-

tions. This was clear from the

representatives to the conseils

contests of the same kind

earlier this year.

From Charles Hargrove

Paris, March 17



Milada and Peter Kratochvil telling reporters in Vienna about their decision to defect.

## Prague

theatre stars defect From Sue Masterman Vienna, March 17

Two prominent members of the world-famous Black Theatre of Prague have defected to the West. While the company was preparing for its last perfor-mance in the Austrian city of Linz at the end of a six-month foreign tour, and to return to Czechoslovalia, Peter and Mil-ada Kratochvil applied for poritical asylum in Vienna.
"We are staying in Austria

because we want to live a life which suits us and in which we can develop as artists", Mr Kratochvil said. Mr Kratochvil, who is 29 and

an actor and producer, plans to found together with his wife, aged 24, a new ensemble, called Theatre from Prague, which will tour the world with a pro-gramme of music and panto-

of the left, the switch in votes for him thatwent to the Social-

ist candidate in the first ballet

is much less satisfactor; than the other way round. This was

especially true at Gagny, north

mayor, whose election was in-validated, was defeated by a Gaullist candidate, because of

the defection of part of the

Altogether the Socialists were three of the five seats which were filled yesterday, compared

with two they held before, while

two they had obtained in 1979.

ist advance is about as large as

that of the Communist setback.

Next Sunday, the Socialists are

two seets balleted for the second time in Rheims, where

Mr Paul Quiles, the Socialist

policy of "holding firmly to the

In fact, the size of the Social-

Socialist electorate.

Militants close ranks around M Marchais

a Communist carries the colours positions, and actions, as well

of Paris, where the Communist of the left".

mayor, whose election was inrolidated, was defeated by a offensive over the Marchais

mime. They already have an offer from an American theatre. The couple, who are too young to be affected by the restrictions put on individual artists who were active during the Prague Spring of 1968, say that they are tired of the allpervading censorship which af-fects all forms of artistic life in Czechoslovakia.

"It's like being in Austria and being forbidden to play Mozart", Mr Kratochvil says. He wants to make a film about the way in which The White Sickness, a Czech classic, has been recently banned.

However, the Kratochvils do not believe that the present harsh censorship means that creativity is doomed in Czecho-slovakia. Repression gives rise to a new kind of concentration and a now kind of creative-noss". Mr Kratochvil believes. "But it means that what you think and write gets no further than the drawer of the desk. That's our problem". The Kratochvils' application for asylum will automatically

as its Popular Front strategy had borne fruit. "The negative attitude of the Communist leadership is clearly condemned

hy its voters who remain

strongly attached to the unity

affair has gone into high gear,

after some preliminary hesita-

tion about the most effective tactics. Hitherto they branded as a fake the document purport-

ing to prove that the Com-

munist leader had been a volun-

tary worker in Germany during

the war, and not compulsorily

requisitioned (as he always claimed) and that he had stayed

there much longer than he

claimed. Now the Communists

argue that the document proves nothing either way, and that to go to work in Germany does

not convice one of collaboration

with the enemy. This standpoint

is shared by non-Communist

commentators.

The suggestion is made in the

latest issue of the independent

left-wing magazine Le Voincl

Observateur that M Marchais assets.

#### **Italian Government lays** plans for its own fall

Signor Francesco Cossiga, the

Italian Prime Minister, dis-cussed the impending fall of his Government with President Alessandro Pertini and the presidents of the two houses of Parliament today. He outlined to them the timetable for the

He is to make a statement in both the Chamber of Deputies as a orelude to a debate in the two houses which will make to abstain in voting.

The Cossiga Government, in office since August, is Italy's thirty-eighth administration in 35 years.

While commentators usually say that each government crisis more serious than the last, this time the outlook is really more obscure than ever before if for no other reason than that the three main parties, the Christian Democrats, Socialists and Communists, are each weakened by internal divisions.

The economic ourlook is also clear that his minority Ad- threatening. While industrial ministration of Christian Demo- production has benefited from crats, Social Democrats and the effective absence of any Liberals no longer commands government and showed a 7.9 support after the withdrawal by per cent increase (on a 12 the Socialists of their promise months' basis) in January, inflation is bounding ahead and Signor Cossiga may draw the the tira is weakening. The cost consequences without insisting of living in February this year on a vote of confidence, and was 21.7 per cent above that already had his resignation to of February last year and is President Pertini last Thursday.

#### Bargaining in critical stage over Schild abduction

Negotiations between the ment. Mrs Schild is staying British businessman Mr Rolf with friends in Sardinia.
Schild and kidnappers holding his daughter Annabel have Cagliari, Miss Nadine Eskerdreached a critical stage.

In London yesterday Mr Schild's solicitor, Mr Montague Samuels, said: "Communica-tions are continuing—they have never broken down. They are at a critical stage, and have been for some weeks. But the whole thing is being done through intermediaries."

The Schild family was kid-napped in Sardinia last August. Mr Schild was soon released and his wife Daphne was set free eight weeks 220, after ran-som was paid. News of her release was given at the weckend by the Pope, who appealed to the kidnappers to free Annabel, aged 15, a deaf mure. Mr Schild flew to London on Sunday, but refused to com-

was in touch with the Communist International long before he officially joined the party in 1947. This would explain how a

man who had been a voluntary

worker in Germany could rapidly obtain a part of responsibility in the party bierarchy.

This is described as a " filuge of stapidity" by M Roland Leroy, the editor-in-chief of the

Communist newspaper L'Hum-

anite, who claimed vesterday that M Marchuis had gone to

Moscow for the first time in

vinced that the revelations by

L'Express are part of an offen-sive to exclude M Marchais

from the presidential contest next year. But they feel they

have already scored roints on

leader's demands for an investi

examine the responsibilities of

with the former Emperor Bok-

assa: and for all public figures

to declare their incomes and

their opponents

Communists are con-

The

The British Vice-Consul in Cagliari, Miss Nadine Eskerd-jian, said yesterday that Mrs Schild was "physically un-harmed but distressed. She certainly was not injured by the kidnappers, but she is obviously very concerned about her daughter. "When I saw her she was living in a different world."

decided to stay on the island to await her daughter's release. A new aspect was added to the case at the weekend after suggestions by Sardinian police that Annabel Schild may have been " sold " to another gang by ber kidnappers. Yesterday police said they had found 19m lire (£10,000),

She said Mrs Schild bad

part of a ransom paid for an Italian kidoapped last year.

#### Bomb damages unlisted Paris building From Our Own Correspondent

Paris, March 17 A building believed to house one of the offices of the DST. the French counter-espionage unit, was damaged on Saturday night by a bomb.

No telephone number is listed in the Paris directory for two floors of the building, and the windows on these floors are kept permanently closed with shutters.

Nobody has yet claimed responsibility for the explosion. However, the Cortican nation alist movement had claimed responsibility for an explosion which damaged the lifts in the north-wing of the Paris Hotel de Ville the previous night.

gation into the activities of all Blast victims sought politicians during the war: for a parliamentary committee to

Almeria. March 17.-Firemen were searching for five people feared killed today when a twostorey building collapsed after an explosion in an adjoining chemist's shop in this southern Spanish town.

#### amer over Soviet role From Our Correspondent Malaysian wishes. B said today that th From Michael Binyon Moscow, March 17 Minister had press

**Chinese and Asean lea** 

Kuala Lumpur, March 17
Mr Huang Hua, Chinese
Foreign Minister, who is in
Singapore on the last leg of a
three-nation tour, declined to
discuss Peking's support for banned communist movements in countries belonging to the Association of South-East Asian Nations (Asean) and instead concentrated on foreign policy

and trade. But diplomats said tonight that the subject would come up in his talks with Singapore leaders, including Mr Lee-Kuan Yew, the Prime Minister. In the Philippines and Malaysia Mr Huang Hua stuck to

China's views on the Soviet threat to South-East Asia and Western Europe. He also spoke of increasing trade with China. Although he publicly mentioned the Soviet threat in countries, neither his Manila, Mr Huang Hua rement nor those in As frained from doing so in Kuala accepted the Chinese

Malaysian understi China's belief th involvement in Afgh-Kampuchea were tw of a Soviet claw to Western Europe.
This was way, Mr I was reported to have: thought the British for a "neutral" was unworkable. V needed was to force Union to withdraw from Afghanistan, and its forces from K Tengku Datuk Al hauddeen, the Foreign Minister, ins

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withdrawn from both

#### **Indian Marxists campa** against 'authoritarian' i

From Kuldip Nayar Delhi, March 17

India's forthcoming State Assembly elections are to be used as the platform for a "serious political struegle against authoritarian trends", the central committee of the Communist Party (Marxist) decided this weekend. It urged all opposition parties to sort out their "deep differences; and divisions". An electoral understanding and adjustment among opposition parties was desper-stely needed to restrain "authoritarian forces", the com-

and people."

Calling the suspension of Japanese aid to Afghanistan hieh-handed and cynical; Tass said past aid in any case had been mainly promises and projects with little effect on the Afghan economy.

The Afghan Government today announced that all property confiscated from Afghan citivens during the rule of former President Amin would be The committee viewed Delhi's dissolution of nine state assemblies as a part of the drive to establish one-party rule, not only at the centre, but in the states.
It should be seen, the party said, as connected with the

leashed against the go Tripura states (the three states).
The Lok Dal party, was the Lower House Said in a recent s that it is willing to me

toral adjustments wo The Januta Party is 5 by dissensions. One seen to oust the members of Sangh group because of with the militant Hindu Swayan Sewak Sangh The more influential wants to wait until the itself decides to ban if Saugh members from ps

ing in the day-to-day acts the RSS. The RSS is scheduled this decision on March 2

## General Zia admits plot happen

Islamabad, March 17.—President Zia ul-Haq acknowledged for the first time today that his Government had crushed a plot against him.

President Zia ul-Haq acknowledged taken place unless there was a foreign hand, he said, without singling out any country.

Retired Major-General Tajmal Hussin Malik was arrested last mask for allegedly engineering.

President Amin would be returned. Those who had left Afghanistan and had expressed their opposition to the Govern-

ment would not get their pro-

perty back, however.

described reports of an aborted coup on March 11 as "absurd and malicious fabrication".

been broken up and the ring-

leader arrested.

the conspiracy against the President, who himself seized But President Zia. in response to a local reporter's question on the reports. Without mentioning General Tajmal by name, President Zia. power in a military coup in

Taimal by nome. President Zia "enable said: "An individual person devete the said: "An individual person devete to the civikan

law." President Zia ann changes in his martis

Government.

He relieved four pro-military governors in Cebinet ministers of h commands in the 6th Corps, The move, which would

effect immediately, was memble the governor devote themselves to civikan duties the civikan duties d "I have the very firm con- mischief of the law. We will Agence France-Press.

#### line it had set itself, and of When, in the second ballot, being itself in its reflexion, pro-

ticular-accused of having at the Communists lost one of the

left-wing voters for the Com- certain of winning one of the

took place yesterday to return 1976 by a substantial majority.

generaux or departmental national secretary, said the re-assemblies, as it was in previous sults showed that his party's

cantonal contests which the Communists had won in

gents fighting inside Afghanis-

leaders

was done by the tribesmen under local leadership.

Many émigré political leaders, he asserted concen-

Afghanistan borders, is where the tribesmen feel best. It is already easy to encounter criticism of the Afghan refu-

Many tribesmen are fighting very bravely, I am not denying that. But there is another important aspect. The tribesmen tains, rocks, their villages and sheep; but today is not like last century, suddenly in Pakistan they confront the modern way

# Aid agency gives faming on Kampucher

rne, March. 17 soute in the Australian

idustry now in its renth s likely to provide the alcolm Fraser has ennow, the Government

involved itself in the but a solution seems no and now is grave enough uire Government imer-

the Government like to have export cone whole wool industry action for the moment. weeks ago 1,800 wool and Packers Union, strike over a pay They wanted an increase ween \$A12 and \$A16 d £8) a week but the tion Commission granted. aly a flat \$A8.

: then there have been confrontations and nces between the union, wyers and the Arbitra-ommission, but nothing en resolved.

dispute is certainly enough to watrant enough to watrant ment concern. It has wool exports worth ASOOm, caused considerardship to wool growers aconvenienced valuable s customers. rtheless, if the storemen

ranted their demands it r that the authority of rbritration Commission suffer enormously. It is

also possible that the Government's wage indexation guide-lines would be thrown into confusion and that the gates would be opened to further claims. thus weakening the small achievements of the Govern-

ment's anti-inflation strategy. The Government has been under strong pressure from wool growers to take action. At one stage the Farmers' Federation accused the Government of being "spineless and timid" being "spineless and timid" and since then tension between dy Mr Douglas Anthony, all sides, including the Govern-outy Prime Minister, has men's seems to have increament's, seems to have intensi-fied.

Any strong Government action could lead to an angry and damaging response from the Storemen and Packers' Union, though Mr Simon Crean, its secretary, has constantly asser-ted his desire to bring the strike to an end. In reply to Mr Anthony's threat to try to close has constantly asserdown the wool industry, Mr Crean said: Such threats will make no difference to union's position. We will be working towards a settlement." But he said that threats of tough action could have elicited an adverse reaction from the

trade unionists.

For his part Mr Anthony has not elaborated on whether the Government will try to use con-trols over the wool industry, although the Government agreed last week with wool growers that it would use its export control powers to prevent wool

leaving the country.

This would be aimed at preventing non-striking members of the Storemen and Packers'
Union from financing their colleagues who are on strike.

#### int of Husain option peace with Israel

Aoshe Brilliant v, March 17

himon Peres, the Labour candidate to head the Israel Government, ced today he had "rea-believe" King Husain of was keeping an open

to negotiate peace with contrary to his public

in't go into details ", he press conference, but my impression and I hange it even if there morrow a thousand

wering and faced a tele-rew. "I'd rather look at iera than hear the ques-

lan, as expressed in the David accords with Pre-Sadar, envisages bringdan into the peace pro-

in the West Bank get to join Israel, Egypt to start discussions on

ial status of the terri-

vil government is once

operating in Surinam,

days efter the military of the tiny former Colony in South America n on February 25 a small

of disgruntled non-ssioned officers, angered refusal of Mr Henck the Prime Minister, to

them to form a trade seized control of the r's army barracks police s and airfields. They wildered to find them-

left with absolute power the country's 350,000

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Our Correspondent tesburg, March 17

ler lodges

Arcon had fled and his
Mr. Olton van Genthe Interior Minister

Labour Party leader met ess today as prospects

brightened for his early rise to power. The latest public opinion poll showed the Labour the Labour alignment would win 62 of the 120 seats in the Knesset.

Government supporters in Parliament, including members of the Cabinet, have talked in private about dissolving Parliament and holding new elections this year.

Mr Peres said he was in touch with disenchanted Government supporters. Noting that the coalition's strength in Parliament had shrunk from 78 to 65 over i if he was in contact the years due to defections, he ing Husain. Mr Peres said: "If five or six more mem-from the reporter with bers shift their position, Parliament will have no choice but elections. There are more than five or six who are considering this very seriously."

Carrington assurance: An assurance that there has been no change in British policy on the Middle East was given by Lord - Carrington yesterday, when he met leaders of the Jewish community in Britain (our Diplomatic Correspondent

The delegation called on the Foreign Secretary to express concern at an apparent shift in British policy and a move towards recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organ-

The military secured im-

mediate popular support by taking such measures as order-

taking such measures as ordering civil servants to be at their desks from 7 am until 2 pm—a form of discipline that was unknown in this country's sluggish and corrupt bureaucracy. The decree had immediate effect: at several Government

ment offices there were not

enough desks and chairs to

accommodate public officials who turned up after an absence

of months, if not years. But the military soon dis-

covered that widespread public support is not enough to rule a county almost totally depen-dent on imports and saved from

financial ruin only by large injections of Dutch aid. The officers therefore decided

to share their power with civi-lians willing to embrace their ideology, called "Surinamism"

a euphemism for nationalism.
The military stated that it intended to break down the racial barriers that have divided.

Surinam, with its mixed popula-

litary keeps role of overseer after coup by group of soldiers

vil government quickly returns in Surinam

## gives famine Kampuchea

By Roger Berthoud

Kampuchea faces another potentially catastrophic food shortage unless international nid is maintained, Mr Ian Hopwood, deputy head of Uniter's emergency relief operations in Phomb Penh since October, said in London yesterday.

The peak of the food shortage was from July to September last year, he said. Food began to get through in substantial quantities in October, though there were distribution problems. There was a small harvest towards the end of the year. when the situation was improv-

By then, however, it was clear how serious damage to agriculture had been, and how inade-quate would be the six-month food aid programme. Owing to drought, the next harvest was expected to be poor, and in some provinces granaries would be empty in a few weeks, so dependence there on outside aid would be total.

The last six-month aid programme, drawn up on behalf of all United Nations agencies and the International Red Cross. had resulted in contributions of about \$210m (199m), of which S191m had been spent. A new programme had been drawn up, and a further \$262m would be required to the end of the year. Like the first programme, this covered operations on the Thai border and for refugees in Thailand as well as aid in Kamouchea itself.
"Given a miracle, we will get

it. But it will require a mir-acle", Mr Hopwood said. The main thrust was on

survival and on increasing local fond production. The Pnomh Penh Government was trying to recreate every aspect of life like, for example, the school system. Of an estimated 15,000 to 20,000 school teachers, only about 4,000 had been traced. Virtually all records and libraries having disappeared.

In each government ministry, said Mr Hopwood, there tended to be three groups: the political decision makers, who were the revolutionaries, with their Vietnamese advisers; the battered remains of the old Pnomh Penh elite, who had suffered enormously; and former stu-dents who had been brought back to be the backbone of the future of Kampuchea.

There had been some revival of social life. The birth rate was rising, and, although many babies were underweight, mortality rates were lower than last summer.

Allegations about the diversion of food to soldiers had been investigated. But we have encountered nothing on any significant scale to sub-stantiate these allegations", said Mr Hopwood said.

#### Duke begins his tour of Kenya

today on a four-day official visit. In his capacity as Grand Prior of the Most Venerable Order of St John of Jerusalem, he is to invest President Moi as a Knight of Grace of the Order of St John

respected as much tion of Creole, Hindustani, His task was to find 13 honest e.". Javanese, Negro and American ministers who had not been ullitary secured im- Indian people. active in politics before. It took

Faced with the necessity to

set up some sort of civil govern-

ment to unify the nation and put their nationalist ideals into practice, the soldiers turned for help to Mr Eddie Bruma, a

politician who is the undisputed

It was a logical choice because Mr Bruma had defended three members of the new military

council at their court martial

popular choice—certainly not in Holland where 150,000 Surinam

immigrants had initially wel-

Mr Bruma was thought to be too much associated with the

old regime—he had served an unhappy term as Economics

Minister in the mid-1970s during

the independence process. When it was appounced that Mr Bruma would form the new

Cabinet, many Surinamese were

Mr Bruma ignored all criti-cism and quietly went to work.

on charges of sedinon before the coup. But it was not a

nationalist leader.

comed the coup.



Ready for hand-over : Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, meeting Lord Office yesterday to discuss the final and in mobilizing international assist-

stage of the hand-over of power in an independent Zimbabwe, including the Soames (right), the Governor of question of economic aid Britain is Southern Rhodesia, at the Foreign ready to help the country both directly question of econemic aid. Britain is

ance. Decisions on longer term capital aid will be taken after Mr Robert programme. An aid mission will go to Salisbury in April, after independence.

Mugabe's government has drawn up its

#### Rhodesia sets free most martial law detainees

From Nicholas Ashford

Salisbucy, March 17 All but one of the detainees being beld under Southern Rhodesia's emergency powers now have been released. British sources said today, and it is exlifted over the next few days. When Britain took over the administration of the country in December there were more than 5,000 martial law detailness. This was reduced to about 1,300

just prior to last mouth's election. Among those released in the last week were more than 500 auxiliaries layal to the Reverend Ndabaningi Sithole's wing of Zanu. The remaining detainee, who is being held in Gatooma, is to be charged with a common

law offence. There remain several hundred people in Rhodesian prisons who were convicted of offences under martial law regulations. No decision on their future has yet been taken.

However, it is expected they will be transferred into civil custody once martial law has been lifted, and those who are found guilty of offences that fall within the ambit of the amnesty arising from the Lancaster House agreement will

be set free. British sources also said that

Cancellation of

appears unlikely

Tehran, March 17.-Charges

and counter-charges of elec-

toral fraud flew thick and fast

today but appeared unlikely to

cause the cancellation of the

first round of Irzn's parliamen-tary poll. With more than half the results declared, the fun-

damentalist Islamic Republican

Party held its leading position.

President Bani-Sadr has called for an investigation of complaints that widespread cheating had taken place.

him two weeks—mainly because both the military council and Dr Joshan Ferrier, the Surman

President, insisted on having a

The military council had wisely left the President in

uffice so that the respected head of state could lead the coup a kind of de jacto

recognition.

But Dr Ferrier surprised everyone by taking for the first time in his life on active

interest in the formation of the

civil government. Vetoing some candidates put forward by Mr Bruma and the council.

Last Saturday agreement was finally reached and Mr Bruma was able to present his Cabinet and announce his own resigna-

tion from public office. Surinam's new Cabinet con-

sists of doctors, engineers and lawyers. Some of them are

known to have left-of-centre or

none has been active in politics.

nationalist sympathies,

Iran poli

several hundred detainees being held under the 30-day order in terms of the emergency powers regulations were also in the process of being set free. Three of these detainces, however, are to appear in court during the next few days.

The decision on releasing the last remaining detainees and the imminent lifting of martial law was taken by Lord Soames, the Governor, (at present on a brief visit to London) in consultation with Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister designate.

Martial law was progressively introduced during the last two years as the guerrilla war spread across the country. By late last year around 90 per cent of the country was under martial law, which gave the security forces powers to take whatever steps they considered necessary to "suppress ter-

Under the regulations a dusk-to-dawn curfew was imposed almost everywhere, but this has been abandoned in many parts of the country.

The release of the detainees and the planned lifting of martial law are further indications that the country is rapidly returning to normality after seven years of escalating

There was a substantial drop in the level of violence after the ceasefire came into effect at the beginning of January. This has been further reduced since Mr Mugabe's landslide election

Since the election results were announced there has been a big increase in the number of surrenders by Patriotic Front guerrilles who had failed to gather at assembly points dur-ing the ceasefire period. More than 2,000 guerrillas

have reported to assembly points during the past fortnight bringing the total new assembled to about 24,700. About 1,700 came out of the bush ducing the past three days. There are believed to be about 3,000 of Mr Mugabe's guerrillas and several hundred

of Mr Joshua Nkomo's forces still at large.
There are also about 6,000

trained Zipra troops loyal to Mr Nkomo based in Zembia whose future is likely to cause coasiderable problems for the incoming government A spokesman for the Depart-

ment of Justice described today as a "gross exaggeration" an assertion by Mr Kenneth McIntosh, the sanctions spy who was released from prison last

had been secretly hanged since 1974. He added that it was not the Department's policy to release information on the names or numbers of people executed. A Government House spokes-man said that the British Administration had neither asked for nor been given any

information about executions that had taken place before Lord Soames's arrival last De-It was up to the incoming

administration to make such inquiries if it so wished. There had been no executions since the territory came under British rule and the Governor com-muted the sentences on 11 people who had been sentenced io death. Meanwhile nominations

closed today for elections to the new Senate, Among candidates put forward by the majority Zanu (PF) Party were one European, Mr Denis Norman, Minister of Agriculture-desig-nate, and one member of Mr Nkomo's Pariotic Front Party. The Patriotic Front put up a separate list of eight candidates, including one Coloured (mixed race) person.

The election of 14 members of the Senate by the 80 black MPs in the new Parliament will take place on Wednesday.

#### Tanzanian troops clash with **Ugandans**

Kampala, March 17 .- Tanzanian soldiers today entered a slum area on the outskirts of Kampala to search for the killers of five civilians and one Tanzanian policeman, Ugandan Government sources said

Later heavy gunfire in the Kibule suburb was heard for more than three hours. Unconfirmed reports said that five more civilians were killed after the soldiers had been fired on by Ugandans.

The Covernment sources said it was not clear how the civilians and the policeman were killed last night. The suburb is known for its unlicensed bars. Other reports alleged that the Tanzanian was killed after be-ing caught stealing a car.

A witness said that bus loads of Tenzanian troops arrived in number of houses. Some houses were left in flames after grenades had been thrown into

In another incident on Saturday, a Ugandan was shot in the neck and a Ugandan traffic policeman beaten by a group of Tanzanians in the Kurwe are. The police who went to the cene were shot at by soldiers.

About 20,000 Tanzanian groops remain in Uganda after the war last year which over-threw President Idi Amin. l'here have been reports of clashes berween them and Ugandan civilians.

Ugandan Government sources said last week that Prelident Nyerere of Tanzania was hastening the withdrawal of the troops after accusing Ugandan leaders of failing to give them

political support. The newspaper Taifa Empya (New Nation) said today that Mr William Lubwama, the owner of the independent vernewspaper

Shield) was murdered last Saturday. It said that Mr Lubwama and a friend Mr Gaster Nsubuga were called out of a football club meeting in Kampala by two armed men in uniform and one in civilian clothes. They were taken outside the city and shot. Mr Lubwama died instantly and Mr Nsubuga was in a critical condition in hos-

piral with chest and the wounds, Taifa Empya said. The two men's cars were

e Senate by the 80 black in the new Parliament will place on Wednesday.

Leading article, page 13 stolen but their friends did not believe that robbery was the motive of the attack.—Reuter, AP and Agency France-Presse.

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statement today was re-by the South African learnt with great regret withdrawal of Bishop land needs improved perrelationships and not stely before independence

#### Papua moderate takes power

astonished.

Melbourne, March 17 Though Mr Michael Somare

seemed stunned by his defeat in a no confidence vote in Papua New Guinea's parliament head of the Anglican last week for most observers the result of the vote came as of the Province of Africa, Archbishap Ball today added his protest no surprise. he seizure of the pass-f Bishop Desmond Tutu,

Ever since Mr Somere took over as Papua New Guinea's first Prime Minister when independence was granted in 1975, his premiership has been renuthishop Burnett's protest ous and at times erratic, although he has shown himself to be remarkably gifted, articulate in political issues.

This was the fourth vote on

iled in political issues, several crises.

s. made it clear he will and the voice of the an Church in South months. Sir Julius Chan, the to any particular political and months. Sir Julius Chan, the new Prime Minister, joined an allied and magnitude and m alliance of opposition parties and some dissidents of Mr. by the South African of Churches. He said throw Mr. Somare out with a learnt with great regret withdrawal of Rishop passport and declered: and needs improved permitted that the said throw Mr. Somare out with a vote of 57 to 49. It brought to an end eight years of Somare leadership, as he was Chief Minister in the years immediately before independence. His defeat follows several

simmering months since the constitutional upheavals of last year, during which five Supreme Court judges resigned after Mr Somare released fom jail his Justice Minister, Mr Nahau Rooney, who had been impris-

oned for contempt of court. There have been several unsettling incidents since not the least of which was when Mr Somare declared to the international press: "Jesus, I'm not a Christian", which is believed to have lost him considerable support.

One of his greatest problems, which contributed strongly to the circumstances that evenrually brought him down, was Unemployment reached dis-astrous levels, and Port Mores-

centre of crime, rioting and rampant alcoholism. In the highlands last year there was fighting when tribesmen refused to abandon their time-honoured methods of settling disputes. By July,

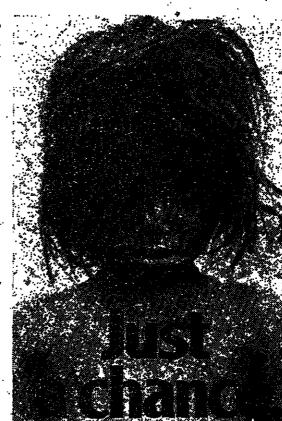
by has slowly turned into a

At one stage angry citizen marched on Parliament. Last January Mr Kevin Egan

an Australian who is the former public prosecutor of Papua New Guinea, said that under Mr Somare the country was turning into an unstable oligarchy, ripe for a military coup or flirtation with Com-

The new Prime Minister romes from a wealthy Papua New Guinea family who now has proved that his Asian ancestry will not, as his detractors contended, prevent him from achieving the leadership. He entered Parliament in 1968 after several successful business ventures and achievements in the public service had gained him a reputation for "getting things done". Sir Julius,

Sir Julius, aged 43, is regarded as a moderate and as sympathetic to foreign investment. He has promised to try to reduce economic dependence on Australia and to review the present neutral foreign





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#### Envoy jumps to safety from occupied embassy in Colombia

escaped through a second-floor window of the occupied Dominican Embassy here early today to get away from terrorists who have been holding him and at least 29 other people hostage since February 27, a military spokes-

man said. Señor Gomez lowered himself from the window on a rope made out of bedsheets, which before he reached the

The Ambassador is un-injured, without any fractures and only a few bruises because the rope of sheets that he used to come down from the second floor broke and he had to jump to the exterior garden of the embassy", Señora Marta Montoya, the press secretary of President Turbay Ayala, said. Señora Montoyo added "There were three shots from the embassy, but none of them hit him". She denied reports from reporters at the scene that

from reporters at the scene that a soldier fired at the ambassa-dor, thinking he was one of the

terrorists.
"The troops have instruc-tions not to shoot when anyone leaves the embassy", she said.
Señor Gomez crawled under
one of the cars parked in front
of the embassy and shouted his
name to the military police.
They picked him up and drove
him to a military hospital.
There was a great deal of

Bogota, March 17.—Sener porters who had been standing Fernando Gomez Fyns, the guard outside the embassy, Urusuayan Ambassador to Colabout a block away and round a corner from the cul-de-sac which leads to the embassy building, the newspaper El Espectador said. About 100 military policemen drew their arms and ran to the walls of buildings at the head of the cul-de-sac.

SPORT\_

Rugby Union

Beaumont: leads Lions.

B. H. Hay (Boroughmuir and Scotland): aged 29, 5rt 10in, 13st

mark with a couple of sterling defensive displays on Ireland's victorious tour of Australia last summer.

Utility back
P. Morgan (Llanelli and Wales):
aged 21, 5ft 10in, 12st. Sales representative. Two caps. A gifted young player who is at home anywhere in the back division. He represented Wales Youth and Wales B at centre and stand-off; is an expert sevens scrum half; won his first cap as a replacement at centre against Scotland this season; played at stand-off against Ireland in Dublin and can also play full back.
Wings

Wings
J. Carleton (Orrell and England):
aged 24, 5ft 10in, 13st. Teacher.
Product of the England under-23
team. First senior international
cap against the Al! Blacks last
November. May have to give up
his job to make the trip. Scored
three tries on Saturday against
Scotland.

Utility back

Señor Gomer's escape rédiced the number of ambassadors of chargés d'affaires in the embassy to 13.

Later in the day the terrorists said that one of their hos-tages, Senor Virgilio Lovera, aged 63, the Venezuelan Ambassador, had suffered a heart attack and needed the immediate attention of a coronary specialist. The Mexican Ambas sador, also held hostage, shouted to Army officers out side the embassy to send the specialist who has visited Senor Loversa twice in the past week. Negotiations between the Government and the terrorists remain suspended.

A Colombian Government spokesman said: "The Government will not take the initiative in looking for the continuation of the talks." The terrorists suspended negotiations last

The terrorists of the April 19 Movement, or M-19 as the organization is known, contend that the Government must make him to a military hospital.

There was a great deal of confusion after the jump among the military police and re
AP and UPI.

#### Hospital death form signed while husband still alive

From Ivor Davis Las Vegas, March 17

The widow of a 51-year-old man who died in the intensive care unit of the Sunrise Hospital in Las Vegas says she was asked to sign a hospital death release form by a nurse who told her: "Your husband is expected to die within the next

Mrs Bertha Fraser, whose hus-band Vincent was in critical condition as a result of severe internal bleeding, said she signed the form without thinking late on the evening of March 2. At 7.40 the next worning her husband, who was being kept alive on life-sustaining equipment, died of what the coroner later determined to be

liver infection " The Las Vegas District Attorney today said that the Fraser case was one of a half dozen deaths in the past few weeks that are being investigated fol-lowing last Friday's allegations macabre scheme involving an intensive care nurse and other staff who are reported to have placed bets on what time patients in their care would die. patients in their care would die. ing the "betting on death" One unidentified nurse called allegations but believed they "the angel of death" was supmay be looking into a series of posed to have engineered the mercy killings.

So far more than six hospital employees have been suspended In a front page story the Las Vegas Sun quoted Mr Fraser's widow as recalling: "When one of the nurses asked me to sign the form I thought it was kind of weird. I wasn't paying atten-tion to what I was signing. The nurse got it out of a drawer and said: 'Why don't you sign it now so you won't have to come back tomorrow? I had made arrangements with a local mor-

was a standard form that next of kin are asked to sign. He admirted it was unusual for relatives to sign the form before a patient's death.

band received good care in the hospital after being admitted on January 22. She said he had liver and spleen injuries received in an attack eight years ago and it resulted in recurring

#### Claim of £1.35m | Shooting at over death of racing driver

From Our Correspondent
Johannesburg, March 17
The widow of Mr Tom
Pryce, the Welsh motor racing
driver who was killed in the
South African Grand Prix in
1977, is claiming 2.4m rand
(£1.35m) in damages from the
organizers of the race

organizers of the race.

Mr Francis Tucker, chairman of the South African Motor Racing Club, confirmed that Mrs Nulla Pryce has started a lawsuit. He said: "It is mainly in the hands of our insurers to defend is?" Mr Pryce died when his Shadow car struck and killed a

marshal at 170 mph during the race.

It is believed that Mr Pryce was struck on the head by a heavy metal fire extinguisher being carried by the marshal. He had been married for two years and had no children,

## university in

San Salvador, March 17 .-Security forces fought a three-hour gun fight today with leftist militants occupying Salvador's national university in the capital. Police said they had no immediate word of

About 20,000 teachers, meanwhile, went on strike to protest against alleged Government repression, and a bomb exploded at the Agriculture Ministry in San Salvador, causing minor damage, but no

Violence was said to have spread across the country today with up to 45 people being reported killed in clashes.— Reuter and Agence France

#### High award for Gurkha who subdued eight men

Lance Corporal Aimansing Limbu, aged 29, becomes the first member of the Brigade of Gurkhas to be awarded the Queen's Gallantry Medal when he goes to Buckingham Palace

He is with the 7th Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles and was on patrol when he was attacked by eight illegal immigrants trying to slip into Hongkong territory under cover of darkness from China.

said.
"At the same time I noticed a man coming out of the sea so

I left the parrol watching the raft and went after him. I caught up with him and tried to put handcuffs on him."

Lance Corporal Aimansing Limbu recovered his senses and

pursued them in a rubber ring that one of them had dropped. the raft two of the men tried to drown me by pushing my head under water but I fought

aboard.

"The six men on the raft all attacked me. They were kicking biting and punching me. This made me very angry", he said.

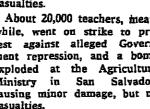
"Segero for his own safety."
Yesterday he was carried in triumph shoulder-high round the barrack square at Church Crookham, Hampshire, where he is staying until he goes back to Hongkong.



Aimansing Limbu shows fists that carned bim a medal.

Single-handed he took them all prisoner, pulled the other two on board and ordered them to paddle to the shore. don't speak much Chinese but l made them understand. Nobody

The citation that goes with the award says he displayed not only a very high degree of personal courage in the face of danger both from drowning and the vicious assaults of eight desperate men but he also acted promptly and with complete disregard for his own safery."



casualties.

## San Salvador

casualties.

SAN JOSE: Friendship Cap tournament final: J. Clerc (Argentina) beat for competition final: J. Clerc (Argentina) beat for competition final: K. Rosewall (Australia) beat R. Lever (Australia) 6—5. 6—5. Doubles final: R. Emerson (Australia) and F. Stolle (US: boat Lavor and Rosewall, 6—7. 6—2. BOSTON: Women's singles final: Miss T. Austin (US) beat Miss V. Wade (GB: 6—6. 6—1. Doubles final: Miss R. Cashis (US) and Miss W. Turnbull (Australia) beat Mrs L. W. King (US) and Miss I, Kloss (SA). 6—4. 7—6

"I was leading a four-man patrol when I spotted a raft about 100 yards off shore", he

It was then that he found he had blundered into an ambush. For as he tackled the man two others leapt on him from behind a rock, clubbed him to the ground and escaped into

When I caught them near them off and tried to climb

support equipment.

tuary ahead of time".

The deputy coroner for Clark
County said the death release

Mrs Fraser said her late hus-

stomach cramps.

Over the weekend, the authorities seemed to be disregardRugby Correspondent

Twenty of the British Isles Twenty of the British 'Isles' players named yesterday to tour South Africa this summer aunder the leadership of England's captain, Bill Beaumont, will be sharing a new experience, although all of them have played for their countries. This represents a big turnover since the last Lious expedition, to New Zealand in 1977, but eight of the remaining 10 will be at forward. Twelve of the be at forward. Twelve of the party are Welsh and eight are party are Welsh and eight are English, with the remaining 10 places being shared by Irishmen and Scots. In the 1977 party to New Zealand there were 16 from Wales, 6 from England, 5 from Scotland and 2 from Ireland.

Hardly a Llons side is announced without there being a surprise selection and in this case it must be that of Colm Tucker, an Irish be that of Colm Tucker, an Irish flanker who played twice for his country last season and this year won a third cap as a replacement in Paris, Less surprising is the choice of the Scottish fullback, choice of the Scottish fullback, Andy Irvine, as a wing three-quarter (a position he adorned in two internationals on the last tour to South Africa in 1974).

At full back the selectors have plumped for Bruce Hay (Scotland) and Rodney O'Donnell (Ireland), who should provide the courage and security they are looking for. This is bad news for Alastair Hignell, who would have had extra qualities to offer. All 30 members of the side have

Tucker is among 20 new Lions for South Africa

forward, since four frontrumers-Fergus Siartery (Ireland). Tony Neary and Roger Uniey (England) and Paul Ringer (Wales)—were not available. Ringer was ruled out, so the manager, Syd Millar, said, not surprisingly because he was under suspension after being sent off at Twickenham.

John Beattle, a dashing young Scot, has secured one of the No 3 positions; the other goes to Derek Quinnell, who has not played for Wales in the 1980 championship but has been chosen for what the

Wales in the 1980 championship but has been chosen for what the Irish manager describes as "his own particular contribution". That includes much experience, physical presence and versatility. Outnoell, along with Irvine and Fran Cotton, the English loosehead prop, will be making a third Lions tour. His first was to New Zealand in 1971.

The choice of Jeff Squire (Wales) and John O'Driscoll (Ireland) as blindside flankers was expected, and so was that of Stuart Lane, of Wales, on the other.

Doug Prentice in 1930. He Maurice Colclough, and Allan Martin, of Wales, were mandatory selections at lock. The fourth player for that position is Alan Tomes, a Scot, whose performance in the Calcutta cup match capped his season and gained him preference over the luckless Wheel, who was chosen for the Lions in 1977 but was then withdrawn for maffbut was then withdrawn for medical reasons.

If one assumes that the select-

ors wrote down Graham Price (Wales), Peter Wheeler (England) and Fran Cotton (England) as a and Fran Cotton (England) as a prospective front row for the internationals, it would not have been difficult to add Philip Blakeway (England) as the second tighthead prop and the mobile Alan Philips (Wales) as, the number two hooker. But Clive Williams (Wales) may have taken the other loosehead position from Philip Orr (Ireland) by the Philip Orr (Ireland) by the narrowest margin.

There can have been no problems at half-back where the Welsh

played for their country in this year's champibushid or been a member of their national parnes. So the selectors have resisted any temptation to choose their like Michael Gibson; the Irish No 8, and Gordon Brown, a Scottish lock who has made three Lions tours. Both men might figure among the reserves, who will not be named for a while.

It took the selectors about tive hours to choose their side and there must have been prolonged debate about the blend at loose forward, since four frontrumers—Fergus Siattery (Ireland). Tony Narry and Roger Uttley (England) and Paul Ringer was ruled out, so the manager, Syd Millar, said, was always thought that the select-ors wanted a big "benger" in the middle, where Springbok teams tend to be substantially

teams tend to be substantially represented.
There was never a doubt, I fancy, that one of the wings would be Mike Slemen. The third place has gone to an Englishman, too, and John Carleton must rightly have clinched it by his all-round game at Murrayfield. The management have asked all players not involved is cup competitions to take a rest from the Wednesday after Easter. Those who wish to play for the Barbarians on their Easter tour of Weles will be free to do so. The Lions will assemble on May 2 and fly out the following day 2 and fly out the following day for a tour lasting until the middle of July, and comprising four international matches.



Tucker : Ireland's

#### Full list and career details of British Isles party for South Africa

in New Zealand in 1977. Fast clusive attacker but can be uncertain in defence.

M. A. C. Slemen (Liverpool and England): aged 28, 6ft iin. 12st. Teacher. Has not missed an England international since his first appearance, against Ireland in 1976; has now won 20 successive caps, but is a new Lion. Excellent attacker who defends with equal skill.

Scotland): aged 29. 5ft 10in, 13st 7lb. Commercial representative. His second British Lions tour, having gone to New Zealand in 1977. Has won 17 caps for his country, five as a full back and the rest on the wing. He made his first international appearance in New Zealand on Scotland's short tour in 1975 and broke an arm after only 12 minutes. R. O'Donnell (St Mary's College and Ireland): aged 23, 5ft 10in, 13st 2lb. Sales representa-tive. Won his fifth cap against Wales on Saturday and made his

R. W. R. Gravell (Llauelli and Wales): aged 28, 5ft 11in, 13st. Sales representative, 18 caps, first against France in 1975 and was an automatic choice for Wales until the last couple of seasons. Lost his place to David Richards but will be J. M. Renwick (Hawick and Scot-land): aged 28, 5ft 8in. 35 caps. First came into the Scottish side

in 1972 and toured New Zealand with Scotland in 1975. Prolific try scorer and goal kicker for his club. Not selected for the 1977 Lions.

D. S. Richards (Swansea and D. S. Richards (Swansea and Wales): aged 25. 5ft 9in. 11st 10ib. Another versatile Welshman. A brilliant runner and is certain to be one of the most exciting Lions backs. Used by Wales mainly as a centre, he moured Australia with the national side in 1978, and has won five caps.

tue national side in 1978, and has won five caps.

C. R. Woodward: [Leicester and England]: aged 24, 5ft 11in, 12st 7lb. Sales representative. Four caps. First played for England as a replacement against Ireland this season and stayed in the side which completed the grand slam. Out-standing performance in the final match against Scotland. Scotiand.

A. R. Irvine (Heriot's FP and Scotiand): aged 28, 5ft 10in, 12st 10ib. 37 caps. Scotland's most capped full back and record points scorer. His third Lions tour. In South Africa in 1974

Stand-off, halves, S. O. Campbell (Old Belvedere and Ireland): aged 26, 5ft 10 in. 12st.

played in two internationals on the wing and scored 156 points on tour. All four internationals in New Zealand in 1977. Fast a new five nations best of 46 points in four championship games.

W. G. Davies (Cardiff and Wales): aged 23. 5ft 9ln, 11st 7lb. In a class of his own as a tactical kicker. First capped for Wales on their Australian tour of 1978, Davies has since formed a formidable half-hack pormed a with able half-back partnership with Terry Holmes.

Scrum halves T. D. Holmes (Cardiff and Wales):
aged 23, 6ft lin, 13st 2lb. 10 caps.
Succeeded Gareth Edwards as
Wales' scrum half. His strength as
a runner makes him a fourth back
row forward and he scored four
tries in his first nine internationals. tries in his first nine internationals.
First appeared for Wales on their Australian tour of 1978 when he formed regular international partnership with his club colleague

Gareth Davies. C. S. Patterson (Instonians and Ireland): aged 25, 5ft 5in, 11st. Soli-citor. 11 caps. Former captain of the English universities. Has scored five tries in his first seven inter-

F. E. Cotton (Sale and England) : aged 32, 6ft Zin, 16st 7lb. Lecturer. Tight or loose head prop. England's senior prop with 30 caps, an English record. He toured South Africa with the Lions in 1974 where he played in all four tests and then want to New Zealand with the 1977 Lions. After missing the whole of the 1979 season through injury he returned to fitness to play a major part in England's grand slam.

G. Price (Portypool and Wales): aged 28, 5ft 11in, 15st 2ib. 29 caps (in a row). Civil engineer, one of

P. J. Blakeway (Gloucester and England): aged 29, 5ft 10in, 16st 7lb. Four caps. Wholesale grocer. Has made a remarkable comeback after breaking a bone in his neck two years ago. A former under-23 player who toured Australia with England in 1975.

C. Williams (Swansea and Wales): aged 31, 6ft 15st 8lb. Six caps. Plasterer. Replaced Faulkner for Wales against England at Cardiff in 1977. Went on to play against Scotland before being chosen to tour New Zealand with the Llons. Suffered a severe knee injury which needed surgery and missed the 1977-78 stason. Hookers

A. J. Phillips (Cardiff and Wales): aged 24. 5ft 11in, 14st 4lb. Five caps. Works in family cleaning business. A former Wales B hooker, now limit with the substitute last year, with his club and as a guest for Surrey. Mobile in the loose, a strong challenger for an international place.

P. J. Wheeler (Leicester and England): aged 31. 5ft 11in, 13st 10tb.

Ind): aged 31. 5ft 11in, 13st 10th.

Insurance broker. 24 caps: Captain of England's champion club, Leicester, and his country's first choice hooker since 1976. Played for the Lions in three of the four interpretationals, against New Zeainternationals against New Zea-

grand slam.

G. Price (Portypool and Wales): aged 28, 5ft 1lin, 15st 2lb. 29 caps (in a row). Civil engineer, one of the best fight head props in the world. First capped against France

W. B. Beaumont (Fylde and England): captain. aged 28, 6ft 3in, 16st. Textile manager. 26 caps. Since William Elackledge Beaumont was flown out to New Zealand as a Lions replacement

in 1975 he achieved the unusual in 1977, his career has flourished distinction for a prop of Scoring Regan that rour as sixth choice a try on his first international outlock but played in three internations. Four internationals for the tionals. Now England's most Lions in New Zealand in 1977.

Toured Australia with Wales was also captain of both the North, which beat the 1979 All Blacks, and Lancashire, the 1980 county champions.

and Lancasure, the 1980 county champions.

M. J. Colclough (Angoulème and England): aged 26, 6ft 5in, 17st 6fb. Salesman. Six caps. England's middle of the line jumper after five seasons of French Club rugby, Has commuted from France in figure in England's french club rigory. Has committed from France to figure in England's grand slam team this year.

A. J. Martin (Aberavon and Wales): aged 32, 6ft 5in, 16st 8lb. Sports outfitter. 31 caps. Wales' first choice lineout since 1973. Also, an occasional goalkicker. With the 1977 Lions and toured Seatth Additional control of the control of th

Flankers

With the 1977 Lions and toured South Africa twice last year.

A. Tomes Hawick and Scotland): aged 28, 6ft Sin. 17st 4lb. 16 caps. Scotland pack leader and a regular Scottish choice since 1978. Forced himself into contention for a Lious place with a superb match against England.

S. M. Lane (Cardiff and Wales): aged 27. 6ft, 14st 7fb. Four caps. ageu 21, ort, 1751 10. Form taps.
A tearway finnker who gained a place in the Wales side this year when Paul Ringer was suspended.
Toured Australia in 1978 and went to South Africa last year with his

club.
J. B. O'Driscoll (London Irish and Ireland): aged 25, 6ft 3in, 15st 12ib. Seven caps. Doctor. First capped in 1978 and regained a regular place in the Irish side on the tour to Australia where he played in both internationals. Can also play at No 8.
J. Squire (Pontypool and Wales): age 28, 6ft 3in, 15st 4lb. 16 caps. First capped as a No 8 and took over the Welsh captaincy when J. P. R. Williams retired. Flown out to John the 1977 Llons in New

Zealand when Roger-drew with a back played in the final . C. C. Tucker (Shamer-off lin, 15st. Three c area manager. Inner-ings this season the appearance as years o Driscoll in Paris.

Number Eights J. R. Beattle (Glass cals and Scotland):
3 in, 15 st. Engines
Four caps. Came into side this season after the All-Blacks, and he banself. Ideal back for South Africa and strong contender for national place. D. L. Quinnell

Wales): aged 30, 6 ft 7 lbs. Represented 1 New Zealand in 197 New Zealand in 197 gained his first cap for one international on phant tour and two in Lions in New Zealand won most of his 22; but also played for Y and flanker. Injury kept him out of the this year when he we to become captain. Manager

S. J. Millar: Syd his fourth successive 37 caps as prop for L

N. A. A. Murphy. A manager. Noel Murphy Zealand twice with the

Scotland.

#### Why women players will be 'dressing up' at Ascot

Britain's women golfers will have an incentive to "smarten up" when they tee off in the foursomes tournament, sponsored by Avia Watches, at the Berkshire Club, Ascot, today. One of the organizers, Joan Rothschild, is putting up a special prize for the best dressed player because, she says, "I am frequently dismayed by the way golfers are turned out. "Men dress badly but women are even worse. Very few seem to bother how they look on the course. They turn up in old jeans or a crushed and tatty skirt that they keep only for golf. It's not good enough and doesn't happen in other sports. It does not cost a lot to dress nicely and, if you are well turned out it can boost your ego and help you play better." Britain's women golfers will and Ireland team against the

The six starters in the Avia tour-trament will give marks out of 10 for "sartorial elegance" to all of the 328 players in each of the four rounds. The prize, probably a silver goblet, can 20 to any player in either of the two divi-sions.

ions. The tournament received a sad The tournament received a sad setback when Ann Howard, captain of England's team last year, pulled out. Mrs Howard suffered a bereavement over the weekend and Immediately drove back home to Lancashire with Jan Chapmau, one of the 11 professionals playing in the event.

Their respective partners, the professional, Joanna Smurthwaite and Christine Mackintosh, have now teamed up to form a new pairing. Apart from the professionals, the field also includes many of the 15 players who will take part in the Curtis Cup trials next week, to select the Britain

For the record

Show jumping

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WARSAW: European Cap. clant statom: 1. T. Bieller (Raiy). 3min 20.51sec; 2. K. Waloun (Norway). 2.20.55; 5. M. Gulon (Switzerland). 2.21.78; 4. K. Schultzer (Austria). 2.21.78; 5. K. Bridspreyer (Austria). 2.21.82; 5. E. Bridspreyer (Austria). 2.21.82; 5. E. Bridspreyer (Austria). 2.21.82; 6. Overall. 1. Morissen (France). 2.21.82; 6. Overall. 1. Morissen (France). 2.21.82; 6. C. Walleringen (Switzerland). 4. S. Curbringen (Switzerland). 4. S. J. H. Nachbauer (Austria). 33; 6. D. Ammann (Austria). 85.

STOKE: English amateur chamoton-ship northern section: D. Martin best C. Royce, S-J. FAREHAM: English amateur cham-plonship, southern section: J. O'Boye heat M. Darrigation, B-S-5.

Snooker

Tennis

and Ireland team against the United States at St Pierre in June. Linda Bayman, four times winver of the event with three different partners, has yet another companion. She is paired with the British champion, Maureen Madili of Ireland, and will be strong favourite to win again.

On-course betting: Three of Britain's leading tournaments, the European open, the Benson and Hedges international and the Duniop Masters, are among the six at which Coral Racing will provide on-course betting this season. The other three are the Newcastle '900' open, the Coral Welsh classic and the English classic.

Corals have made Severiano Ballesteros the 5-2 favourite to head the 1980 European official money list which, this year, replaces the former Order of Merit. Sandy Lyle, who topped the order last year, is 7-2, Ken Brown 7-1, Brian Barnes 8-1, Mark James 10-1 and Nick Faldo 12-1.

Going Dutch

Golf

Ice hockey

Brigitte Cavaers the South African tennis professional, has been chosen to play for the Netherlands in the women's world team championship for the Federation Cup in Berlin from May 19-25. Miss Cuypers, aged 24, is of Dutch extraction and has been unable to represent her own country because South Africa have been dissuaded from competing in international team events. For the next three years the Pederation Cup competition will be sponsored by Nippon Electric, a Japanese telecommunications company.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Washington and last 5. Boston Bruine 3. Vinniesota forth Stars 6. Herina 3. Vinniesota forth Stars 6. Herina Red Wineson Bruine Stars 6. Detroit Red Wineson Cottles 4. New York Rather 10 Cottles 4. New York Rather Cause Blues 2. Vancouver Causek 3. Vork Vork Without Stars 6. Chicage Black Hawks 1.

Rugby Union

#### Bath in a handsome light Nine nations in mamm

Ebbw 'Vale 6 The city of Bath looked lovely yesterday evening, with the sub-light reflecting from windows, and its rugby side made a tolerably handsome appearance, beat-ing Ebbw Vale by two goals and three tries to two penalty goals. It was a cold evening, the pitch soft and wet. There was credit for both sides for trying to run the ball. Neither was at full strength. The Bath crowd were disappointed that Vector was a constant of the color of two penalty and two penalty and the color of two penalty and two penal that Horton, their hero, was too exhausted to play—some of the younger ones had come to give him a special cheer.

But soon they had other things to cheer about. Bath took the lead with a try by Davies, after 10 minutes, and a couple of minutes histores, and a couple of minutes later. Murphy scored another. Davies converted the second. Both these tries originated within the Bath half, forwards and backs joining in, and their third was begun by Waterman, almost on his own line, and fnished by Beese. However, Lewis, playing against one of his former clubs, kicked a

(Sick-off 7.50 unless stated) | INTER-LEAGUE MATCH: Irish League v Scottish League (Bellast, League v Scottian League v Stake FRST DIVISION: Evertain v Stake City West Bromwich Albian v Bolton City West Bromwich Albian v Bolton Wanderers.
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Lawson stands

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Lahore, March 17.—The Austra-Han fast bowler, Dannis Lillee, is

struggling to be fit for the third and final Test against Pakistan

starting here tomorrow. Lillee pulled a muscle in his rib cage a few days ago and the trouble recurred during a spell in the nets

Fred Bendert, the team manager, said that if Lillie was ruled, out of the match his place in the team would go to Geoff Lawson. Mr Bennett added it was now very united that the offspin; bowler,

Ashley Mallett, would be joining

Pakistan frum: Teeling Air, Sudamar Nazar Javed Mundod (camam Azhar Khan, Wasin Rala, Siajid Khan, Azhar Ran, Imran Khan, Igbel Qasho, Satiraz Nawaz, Tausif Anned, Sulan Rana.

Australian: B. M. Laird. J. M. Henter, R. J. Hughos, C. S. Chappell captains, G. N. Yallop, A. R. Border, W. Marsh. C. Favel, R. J. Bright, C. G. T. Lawson, G. ymock.—deuter.

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Packer stays out: The Centenary
Test this summer will be televised
live in Australia by the Australian
Broadcasting Commission and not
by Kerry Packer's Channel Nine
network. For reasons which
Lord's refused in druige. Mr
Packer's company declaned to bid
for exclusive coverage of the
match on August 28-September 2.

Today's fixtures

penalty goal before half-time, when it was 14—3 to Bath, and another soon afterwards. Ebbw Vale kept playing with an attacking dash and fire worthy of their present Member of Parliament, and indeed of his predecessor, but—I will risk pursuing the analysis—they did leave some gaps in their cover.

their cover.

Sutton scored a try for Bath, and then Trick, Davies again converting. Trick's "try was an astonishing one, even for such an astonishing young player. He took an awkward pass from Waterman at about halfway, with very little room to spart, on the right. The defence were cantering confidently across, and he ran past them, straight as an arrow, turning in only to put the ball down by the posts.

BATH: J. Waterman: D. Trick, M. Reose (capian). M. Sulton, D. Wyalt: J. Davies, D. Murphy, J. Meddick, A. Mason, R. Lee, B. Johkins, M. van der Loos, G. Parsons, G. Spurrell R. Lys. Shirter, C. Spursell, R. Lys. Shirter, S. Lowis, C. Spursel, R. Lys. Shirter, S. Lowis, C. Spursel, R. Lys. Shirter, R. Lys. Shirter, R. Lys. Shirter, R. Lys. Shirter, R. Lys. Sh

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Shell Shield

side to tour England.

Shell Shield tournament in the

next few weeks. Following strenuous tours as captain in Aus-

tralia and New Zealand, Lloyd is

in need of a rest and unlikely to

return to the West Indies until

after Easter to help select the

Lloyd will also be discussing his

future with Lancashire when he

meets the manager, Jack Bond and secretary, Chris Hassell, at Old Trafford later this week. With the

West Jodian tour finishing in mid-

August. Lloyd may be available

for Lancastire's last three cham-

pionship and John Player League matches; and could be offered terms for a special end-of-the-season contract.

Chandra retires : Bhagwat Chandra-

Chandra retres: hnagwat thapora-shekhar, the Indian spin bowler, announced his retirement from first class cricket yesterday, the United News of India reported. Chandrashekhar played in 38 Tests for India, beginning in 1963, and claimed 242 Test wickets.

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Equestrianism

## entry for Badminton

By Pamela MacGregor-Morris By Pamela MacGregor-Morris

There is a near-record entry of 101, from nine nations, for the Badminton horse trials, which take place in the Dnke of Beaufort's glorious park from April 17 to 20. Ireland, the reigning European champions, are sending five and the Belgians seven riders, while the Australians are fileding six. Other foreign challengers are individuals from Canada. New Zealand, Sweden, Spain, the United States and the reigning European individual champion, Nils Haagensen with three horses from Denmark.

from Denmark.

Ever since Lord Brookeborough "leaked" the news to the National press in early February that the British Equestrian Federation supported the government on the Olympic issue, controversy has raged in the horse world, of whom most are in favour of a boycott. For some, the Olympic movement has forgone its ideology (not to say lost its integrity) ever since, at the behest of the Duke of Edinburgh in 1972, 46 of our show jumpers, including all those in the team who are now the reigning world and European champions, declared themselves to be professional, in the belief that other nations whose show jumpers pursue their sport on 364 days in the year would follow suit. The fact that none of them did means that, of the top show-jumping nations, Britain alone has to shoulder the handicap of fielding a team of amateurs, in a highly-professional sport.

The whole Olympic concept with its modern ambiance of drugs and the shamateurism of the Com-

munist countries sea ingly bogus to some, can be no doubt that i Olympic Games for were those when the their own—in Stockho at Riem in 1972 and a in 1976. They are, at athleres—it is their partners who qualify in—and if they feel, as that to go to Moscow berraying Britain's herespecteviews must be respect It would be naive t

however, that they won forgo the chance to borses that they have ing for three or four ye ley might, indeed, ha valuable alternative set world. Clear three day. world-class three-day not its owner, Lord E2 up alongside Lord Kil the Moscow controve there is always Badmin understand that the Duk, fort would not be averaged to the control of the co holding two three-day en this year if alternativ were to be found for hi

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#### Clive Lloyd is back at his new home in Manchester, nursing a hand injury that will probably keep him out of the West Indies

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eish Football Association for another outsider

## y players | Only Birtles' best will be enough for Forest

From Norman Fox Football Correspondent East Berlio, March 17

Some caution was in the air as Some caution was in the air as Nomingham Forest flew here for Wednesday's European Curp quarter-final round the against Dynamo Berlin, who hold a 1—0 lead from the first leg. Peter Taylor, the assistant manager, spoke-of being up against it while Brian Clough, the manager, steered conversations in other directions.

directions.

Rumours of financial embarassment for Forest if they fail here this week were discounted by Mr Clough, and the weekend's other doubts about the future of the managers themselves were also diverted. Mr Taylor had started the debate after the defeat in the Pootball League Cup final by Wolverhampton Wanderers at Wembley on Saturday when he spoke of his hope that the board would leave himself and Mr Clough to manage.

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games, and Francis remains a Lim player in search of an identity. Mr Clough said that Forest were in a financial position to buy new players despite investing so much in a new grandstand and in Francis. He explained that \$700.000 of the trunsfer fee received from Cologne for Woodcock was still available. Success in Europe, he said, was not essenin Europe, he said, was not essen-

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be maintained. "There is no

crisis-Europe simply provides

extra revenue". Reflecting on the difficulties facing Birtles, he re-marked: "If Gary does not get some help soon he will lose his enthusiasm." Thus the possibility of the club trying to obtain a direct replacement for Woodcock

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Birtles has not scored for 14

direct replacement for Woodcock is clearly seen.

As for the game here on Wednesday, the Forest team will he without Burns, their most reliable to be a choice between Bowles and Bower. For the physically demanding game expected, Box ver is probably the right choice, yet for regain the form that won them the European Cup last season. The situation is becoming embarassing.

#### Celtic the only domestic leaders in quarter finals

Celtic flew to Spain yesterday for their European Cup quarter-final, second-leg match against Real Madrid tonorrow with a 2—0 lead and the distinction of being the only club among the last eight to head their domestic league. Real-Celtic is the only match which pairs former winners. The teams fared equally in their weekend matches. A late goal by Robby Lemox, sole survivor of the Celtic team which won the Cup 13 years ago, gained a point at Kilmarnock. At Salamatca, Real, too, were trailing 0—1, but Benitto rescued them when he scored 20 minutes from time.

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Also Sunderland will miss Arschal the form out of the French the first-leg win, was burt again in the EA Cup win at Wasfierd and Celtic stretched their lead in the Scottish premier division to seven points, but McCluskey, who scored the first goal against Real, damaged an ankle and is doubtful for Madrid. Real would top their league if goal difference applied. But Spain retains goal average and on this calculation Real Sociedad edge them into second place.

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Hamburg, the West German champions, reinforced by their English Footballer of the year, Kevin Keegan, take a 1—0 lead to Yugoslavia, having boosted morale with a 3—2 win at Cologne, which restores them to second place in the Eundesliga. Their hosts, Hajduk Split, who had no match at the weekend. remain fifth in the leaders with a match in hand.

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Yesterday's football results

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## Spurs chairman

resigns eish Football Association of proceedings of the football anager and, director of Among the candidates terriewed at Newport are to be the former England Jimmy Armfield, and United's Uruguay-born ch Danny Bergara.

Ingland, a former captain a former captain s and now player-coach attle Sounders in the merican league, is also he from runners for the either with Graham Willeformer West Bromwich defender who won 26 tops in the 1960s.

In which carries a salary fil.000, attracted a long lopefuls, which has been to around half a dozen now aged 36 and red for many strong performances in his areer, is favourire for the Angust 1978. Sidney Wale has resigned after 11 years as chairman of Tottenham Horspur and has been succeeded by Arthur Richardson, who is in his early seventies and joined the board in October 1961. Mr Wale, seed 66, has been a director for 13 years and chairman for the past 11; he succeeded his father as chairman and is the major shareholder at White Hart Lane.

Lord ban sought: The Football League have been urged to prevent the Burnley chairman, Bob Lord, from sitting on tribunals and at disciplinary hearings. The request, which is bound to cause acute embarrassment because Mr Lord is a senior vice-president of the league, was made thy the Fulham, chairman, Ermie Clay;

Boxing

#### Minter aims to turn glory into

From Ivor Davis Las Vegas, March 17

For a man who had just won the undisputed world middle-weight title Alan Minter was looking a trifle battle-scarred. A few hours after his stunning points victory over Vito Antuoferno, 2 bruising Italian from Brooklyn, Minter offered an unusual picture of domestic bliss in an oruste blue and gold suite in Caesar's Palace Hotel, appropriately called the Fantasy Tower. He was barechested and dangled his three-year-old daughter Kerry on his knee; this son Ross, aged one, played on the carpet in front of the television, which was showing an old julic Christic film.
While his wife, Lorraine, opened a sile of congratulatory telegrams of domestic bliss in an ornate blue a pile of congratulatory telegrams the new champion devoured a celebration meal of toasted bacon celeuration meat in toasted bacon and lettuce sandwiches and orange juice. His father-in-law, Dong Bidwell, who also happens to be his manager, bathed in the glory and expansively contemplated the future.

Minter's scars included four fresh stitches needed to close a cut above his right eye; a swollen thumb—caused, he said, in round three—and a sprained right ankle that he twisted in the fourteenth round when he tripped and fell to the campa and was forced to take a manuatory count of eight. An 8-3 underdog, Alinter fought superbly against the mauliug, bulldozing Antuofermo who tried in vain to run him over as well as hold on to his title. For more than two thirds of the contest Minter gave a masterful lesson in disciplined boxing.

Minter was full value for money. Minter was full value for money. It was the first time in more than to years—since the era of Ted "Kid" Lewis—than an English boxer had come to the United States and returned with a world title. Lewis regained the welter-weight title over 20 rounds at Dayton, Ohio, against Jack Britton in June, 1917.

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The verdict was a split decision and there will be a great deal of debate over the English judge, Roland Dakin, who gare Minter 13 of the rounds, one even and only one, the fourteenth, to the champion. Dakin, somewhat lopsidedly, scored it 149—137 for the Englishman. Charles Minter hine rounds, 144—141. The third judge, Ladislaw Sanchez, from Venezuela, gave the champion the edge, 145—143.

Fame and fortune await Minter

second goal in the Londoners' 5—1 first-leg win, was burt again in the FA Cup win at Watford and has missed the last two games. His thigh strain has not responded to treatment and he will not even be making the trip to Sweden. Vaessen will deputise, and with Arsenal looking certain to reach the last four, Stapleton, who also has a thigh strain, may not be Fame and fortune-await Minter Fine and fortune-await Anner when he returns home to Crawley, in Sussect. Mr Bldwell will be on hand to make sure the champion gets his just deserts. "I'm hoping it's going to be the big everything from now on," he said. "Alan has sacrificed everything. There have been the bumps and bruises and the physical problem along the way. We're not really earned a lat of money and now is the the physical pronem along the way. We've not really earned a lot of money and now is the chance. Alan has a restaurant and a nice house, but this boxing is a tough business and I think you're entitled to get plenty out of it if you've put it in. We have. My aim is to make sure Alan Minter gets plenty. Until now we've fought for glory not money." For his 15 rounds, Minter picks up a \$50,000 purse.

For most of the contest he carefolly, nay obsessively, avoided clashing heads or mixing it with the flailing Anunofermo. Minter frequently scopped him in his tracks with bursts of right-left flurries so that the Italian quickly learned to respect the southpaw.

flurries so that the Italian quickly learned to respect the southpaw. Antuofermo, who has held the title for less than a year and was defending it only for the second time, was unhappy with the verdict and upset by the mix of judges. "I'm not an American. I'm Italian". he insisted, "I don't have a representative. I think I'm still champion. It was a terrible decision and I can't accept it."

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Semi-Final. Routin: Weing begins have avoided me "Challenge for Minter: A London promoter, Harry Levence, angry at accusations that the British judge, Dakin was blased, said yesterday that he was prepared to stage a re-match at Wembley to answer doubts. Mr Levenc's offer was prompted by his American counterpart, Bob Arum, who said Dakin was guilty of a "gross lack of impartiality".

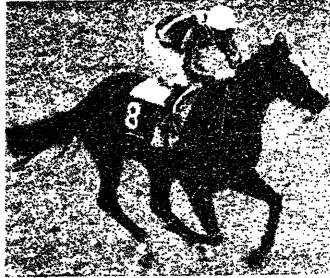
## Nureyev could leap right to the top

From Desmond Stoneham French Racing Correspondent Paris, March 17.

Nureyev, who disputes favouritism with Monteverd: for the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket in May, has done well in the winter and will make his first appearance of the make his instance of the season in the seven furlong Prix Djebel at Maisons Laffitte on April 8 before contesting England's first classic. At St-Cloud last Saturday a cautious François Boutin also a cautious François Bound also informed me that Firyal, who like Nursyev is also owned by the Greek shipping millionaire, Stavros Niarchos, would take her chance in the 1,000 Gulocas, all being well after the Prix Imprudence, which is run on the same day and over after the Prix Imprudence, which is run on the same day and over the same course as the Prix Diebel. Bourin could not be better pleased with Nureyey, who but for penal British VAT regulations would probably still be at Peter Walwyn's Lambourn yard. "Re's grown a little, put on some weight and is blessed with a truly doche character". Boutin told me, adding "Nureyey is as pleasant and caim as anything I have ever trained". Boutin would not be drawn on Nureyey's programme after the 2,000 Guineas, but is precisy convinced that the son of Nerthern Dancer who new has a value of ground 15m, will stay the Derby distance of one and a half miles.

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According to Boutin, Firyal is the best filly in his 190 strong stable, which is crummed with polential stor performers. She began her career by dominating the colt with Light of Realm in the

target of the Benson and Hedges Gold Cup), Scorpio, who will probably tackle the lockey Club Stakes before the Grand Prix d'Evry and Prove It Baby. The d'Evry and Prove it Baby. The last named will be running over extreme distances. Some other Boutin three-year-olds who should make their mark this year are Nobic Cake, Ice Plant. Deep Music. Turnablade. Stromos, Milliems, Red Bend (when the ground is good), Nebene, Mariella. Rolling Star, Northern Horizon and the unraced Rose Du Boele.

Christiane (" Criquette ") Bead is sure to have another successful season with her brilliant filty. season with her brilliant filty. Three Trolkas, who after the Prix Gamay (May 4) may well go to the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot. One who may follow in the footsteps of Three Trolkas; is Benfels. She runs in the Prix Saint-Alary and the Prix de Diame (June 15). Others to follow from this stable are Diamond Springs.

this stable are Diamond Springs-Selerina, Islander, Saint Elie, Free Dance and Feelings. Alec Head expects a lot of First Of The Line, who impressed me a lot when taking the Prix de Saint-Pierre-Azif at Evry less October. This son of Vaguely Noble has no fixed programme sayer, but should race with the best. There are some changes in this year's French programme. The one mile Prix du Moulin de Longchamp has been brought forward to the first Sunday in September. to the first Sunday in September, thus avoiding the usual near clash with the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes. The Prix Maurice de Gheest, a six and a half furlong sprint at Deauville, becomes a group two event and will be worth over £20,000 to the wincers this year. Also, for the first time, the Prix de Physche at Deauville will carry group three status. will carry group three status.

#### Nottingham programme



2.30 TRENT CHASE (Handicap : £1,329 : 3½m) 

3.0 WELLAND CHASE (Novices: £1,158: 2m) 

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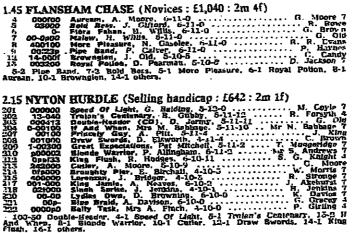
4.0 DERWENT FOXHUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs: \$542: 23m) 4.30 CHARNWOOD BURDLE (Div II: Novices: £753: 2m) 

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#### Nottingham selections

By Our Racing Staff 2.0 Flemish Giant. 2.30 RAPALLO is specially recommended, 3." Percipient. 3.30 Othman. 4.0 Family Man. 4.30 Fair, Hunter. 5.9

#### Fontwell Park programme



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f2,050: 2m 2f)
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504 34223 Physicist. J. Gillord. 8-11-6
506 31-4 Resent's Garden. A. Andrews. S.-11-4
508 00100 All Bright (CD). R. Hortop, 8-11-1
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511 0-3014 Srandy Fare (CD). B. Shaw. 10-10-10
512 0-90 Carew Marine, B. Stevens, 11-10-8
513 0-Dand Chaiterber. A. Moore, 9-10-6
514 0-230 Dandes Resus. C. White, 8-10-0
5-1 Regent's Garden, 7-3 Brandy Fare, 4-1 Physicia, 11-3
All Bright. 7-1 Soptember Rain, 16-1 Others.

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Two weeks ago, after sorties with London University, Cambridge left the Tideway in despondent mood; by the end of last weekend light blue spirits must have taken a great turn for the better. The new Cambridge lineap, which brings two transpositions—between Palmer and Phillips and between Laurie and Woodhouse—looks right. The

After a long period of tunnel vision both crews appear to have caught a glimpse of light; and during last week no less than five changes, in rowing order have taken place in both Boar Race crews. Oxford's new line-up may be judged if they start in next Saturday's Head of the River order, were first into the front tine against the national eight.

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stern five Cambridge order is cambridge boat. Overall, howersengly: Dairymple (stroke), presently: Dairymple (stroke) OMFORD: S. S. W. Francis (Si Paul's and Corpus Christi) bow. J. L. Bland (King Edward VI. Stationd and Merion: M. D. Androws (Abboson and Magdalen). N. A. Conlington (Hampton and Oriel). N. B. Rankov (Bradford GS and Corpus Christi). C. J. Mahapoy (Hampton and Oriel). T. G. M. Barrs (Radley and Oriel). M. J. Disgress (Wallingford and Kable), stroke, J. S. Need (% Edward's and St Edmund Ball) cox.

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Wolverhampton results

2.0 (2.3); STANDEFORD MURDLE
(Div I: Novices: E673: 2m).

MR JULCY, b. C. The Brianatan—
Tender Song (J. Vaughan).
4-11-9 . John Williams (R-1) 1
Law Venture . J. Butchard (35-1) 2
Jason-Johns Choice Williams (R-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav P. C. Piod.
4-1 Concorde Giri (10th). 9-1 Letilgo.
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HADAJAR, b s Royally—See Gal (A. Morris) 5-11-12 C. Smith (12.8 Fev) Cantyproon . N. Doughly (57-1) Je Colombo . R. F. Davies (6-1) sg Colombo . R. F. Davies (b-1) a
AISO RAN. J-1 Entebbe (4th).
10-1 Another Picture, Drops O'Brandv.
20-1 Golden Dee, 25-1 Canford Ginger.
55-1 Last Cuptain (p), Whistie for Jack, 50-1 Burton Princess, Mon Jack, 50-1 Burton Princess, Mon Jack, 50-1 Burton, Com Rhondal, 510liaja Donna, Sufar, Com Rhondal, Pankins Hart, 5al's Dolight (p). 19 ran, NR: Space Ship. TOTE: Win, 30p; places, 14p, 59p, 10p; dual forcest, £7,26. CSF: £4.78. M. Tato at Kladerminster. 21, 11d. M. Tato at Kidderminster. 21. 1'-1.

3.0 (3.4) WILLEMMALL HURDLE Handicap). 2842: 2m1
LONGCLIFFE. b or br h Mandamus. —Pepia (Havenwood Con's Lid)
5-10-5 .... P Tuck (7-3 fav) 1
William the First . G. Rees (20-1) 2 lafts lack .... R. Hyelt (7-1) 3

ALSO .RAN: 5-1 Town Parts. 6-1
Spair (9). 16-3 Ladies Man. 9-1
Twilliam Stag. 10-1 Delbounty. State
Run. 12-1 Thomson's Policy 16-1
Rough Casi. 20-1 Gullsway. 53-1 Hot
Cross Bun. Corby Glen (4th), SuperFun. Highland Bug. Common's SwalarMarkdail. Somers Chance. Atrobes (9).
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Durbam Town . I. Suthern (8-1), 2
Taker . C. Smith /4-1 fav: 3
ALSO RAN: S-1 Benghari Express
(4th). Runjer's Joy. 6-1 Prince of
Normandy, 15-2 Franch Pin. 12-1
Just Jake. 16-1 Fittermere. Bear's
Paw ip', 33-1 Mullacraw. Sh-1 Sambrook (p). 12 ran, NR: My Buck.
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Treasure). 9-13-7
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Entertainment P. O'Connor (12-1) 2
ALSO RAN: 6-2 The Pilsarie (p).
144 Canhe (1). 20-1 Fisth Harry
(p). 25-1 Mass Gwyn (p). 53-1 Draid
(400). Just The Job. Rainwell, Beacon
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(p). 13 ran.
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Home Grown, Athenia Princres (4th).
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7-2 Royal Romance. 5-1 lzzplast.
(4th). 12-1 Strong Hand (r). 16-1

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ALSO RAN: 11-10 law Kill Carson
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ALSO RAN: 9-2 Immy Hill (4-1-2

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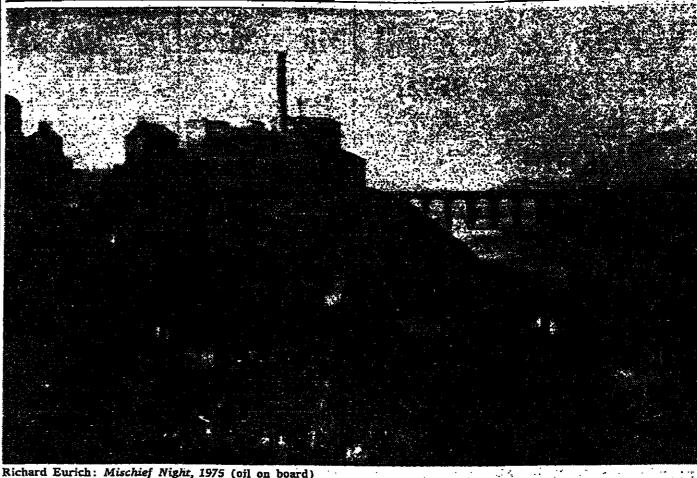
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## The bizarre beneath the ordinary

Richard Eurich Fine Art Society

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Brighton Museum

I make no apology for writing again, at greater length, on the Richard Eurich retrospective I noticed briefly from Bradford: he seems to me one of the most astonishingly underestimated, or just unestimated, artists of his generation. Born in 1903, he is an exact contemporary of Graham Sutherland, John Piper and Ceri Richards, and from two to six years older than Edward Burra, Tristram Hillier Victor Pasmore and Francis Bacon. A rich and various generation, evidently, and at first glance he looks like the most various of them all.

But first glances can be deceiving, and the more carefully one looks at the paintings of over 50 years now crowding the walls of the Fine Arts Society (until April 11) the more overpowering the sense of unity and coherence becomes. It is not so much the technique as the vision underlying the ring the technique. Whether Eurich is painting large-scale landscapes, fantasy pictures (in the late 1940s he did some very odd ones of live scarecrows and commedia dell arte figures), straightforward war-artist transformed the visual data of records of battle and devasta- the Cornish scene into abstract tion and war-work, or the mysterious, monumental images during the period of their chief

Alfred Brendel

Max Harrison

One way of listening to, and

enjoying, Alfred Brendel's

marvellous Schumann recital

on Sunday afternoon was as a

crescendo of complexity. He

began with the Kinderscenen,

Op 15, which take an idealized

view of childhood—Schumann

was unmarried when he wrote them—that is reflected in their

regular phrases, symmetrically grouped. The 13 movements

were played without exaggera-

Carnaval, Op 9, is another set of relatively short movements, each with a vivid, indeed unforgettable, character.

deed untorgettable, character.
They are far more complex in organization, and, with their variations of small groups of notes, even have a permutational aspect that may seen far from the spirit of romanticism. Mr Brendel's interpretation, though, was

Festival Hall

always something stranger than first meets the eye. A sense that, just on the margins of the picture, something curious is going on, half-glimpsed, or that something everyday is rendered extraordinary by the angle from which he views it. The war pictures are all wonderful, with that special intensity which seems to have informed also the work of

Sutherland and Piper, among others, at that time: obviously the war was a central emotional experience for a lot of British artists. And in Eurich's case especially the readymade surrealism of war-torn buildings or the parts of a Mulberry harbour being manoeuvred into position found an answering echo in his own tendency to relish the bizarre at the heart of the ordinary. But the later beach pictures, with their sculptural calm and solidity (sometimes oddly suggestive of a very different artist, Sebrat), are also haunting, especially when, in pencil drawings like Figures on a Beach-The Rainbow, they make the most of the least. This show allows us to make contact with a true original, a painter who only grows in one's esti-mation with familiarity which up to now has been denied us.
If Eurich has been individually and personally neglected, Terry Frost belongs to a group which has known fashion and fame, and has then, if exactly plummeted from view, at least drifted away from the forefront of our attention. The external links among Frost, Roger Hilton, Peter Lanyon, Patrick Heron and Bryan Wynter-to mention only the most prominent-were mostly Cornish; but, if Cornwall in various ways provided the raw material for their art, much more im-portant was the like-mindedness manifest in the way they or semi-abstract compositions

of people on beaches which fame, the late 1950s. It may be have much preoccupied him in that this kind of painting has the past few years, there is been at just the wrong distance been at just the wrong distance from us of late, and so excited little sympathy. But with the emergence of such coherent reflections of that period's taste as the Pier Collection, now in Orkney, and the Roland Collec-tion, long touring for the Arts Council, these sober, homegrown equivalents of American Abstract Expressionism suddenly begin to look pretty good again,

All of this does not have so much to do with Terry Frost's recent work, on show at the New Art Centre in Stoane Street until April 8. Except that the gallery has thoughtfully put on a background show of his early work, plus that of Hilton, Lanyon and Wynter, downstairs, so that we can find out, if we had forgotten, where he is now coming from. The recent works are paintings and collages, though the collages, being made up of pieces of painted canvas applied painted canvas and then often painted over again, are really finally paintings of an unusually rich and intricate texture. They are all abstract, though one may fancy a certain programmatic significance in titles such as October Whites and Summer Collage (equally, this might reflect no more than the times at which they were painted). They are all marked by that extreme sensitivity to the tactile qualities of paint applied to canvas, the invitation to the eye to seek out colours within a colour or observe how a difference of texture makes one colour many, which made Frost back in the the same about Braque's throwconstantiv insidiously fascinating of all his group. Arthur Boyd also, in a way,

inspires retrospection. For one thing, the paintings on show at Fischers, until April 11 which are all recent, are in very much the same style, and deal with a lot of the same subject-matter.
as the Australian paintings.

YMSO/Fitz-Gorald St John's

William Mann

Some years ago Hans Werner Henze conducted recordings, issued in a box, of his first five symphonies. At the time they seemed, progressively considered, rather to the right of centre, though full of ideas and genuinely symplionic. His subsequent music, resulting from his conversion to Castro-style Marxism, has not weakened the appeal of his earlier work, as could be experienced on Saturday evening when Mark Fitz-Gerald conducted the Young Musicians' Symphony Orchestra in the public London premiere of Henze's third symphony. Like Henze's other early sym-

phonies, it is instantly approachable, indeed welcoming. Dance and drama were central to Henze's musical thinking in 1949 when he began it, the voices of Hindemith and early Stravinsky at least as influential as the 12-note mentors of Darms-

tadt to whom Henze never accorded more than cursory homage. The references to Apollo and Dionysus in the movement-titles point to a neo-lessia artitude the closing classic attitude, the closing

sparks of colour in the opening Allegro to the magicly muted tutti passages in the final Presto. Every dynamic nuance of the central contemplative tuba solo was captured by John Sennets and battlecries from

England and France rang out in the two pieces that flanked the Capriccio: the "Newark Siege" of John Jenkins (another exciting transcription by Peter Reeve) with its mimicking trumpet from on high, and an arrangement by Elgar Howarth of the Agincourt song, both deftly played with appropriate panache. The more sombre colours of horn and trombones trumpet tune.

Leonard Salzedo, whose "Divertimento" introduces BBC's Open University programmes, wrote his second work for the point the trombones nearly ran with the Cibbons "In" away with the Gibbons "Ip Nomine", order was soon re-stored by the trumpets, whose job it was to sing out the plainsong in another highly success-

times by themselves, sometimes in slightly surrealistic juxta-positions (with a unicorn, for instance). Boyd shares with his compatriot Nolan a taste for a rather slick, unsavoury finish, which does not encourage closer acquaintance. But at least his imagination, as in the his-andhers crucifixions, weird enough to enforce atten-For a real nostalgia trip, though, it is necessary to go down to Brighton, where until April 13 the museum has, appropriately enough given its established interest in decora-

us. Nothing wrong with consistency, of course; evidently Boyd is one of those private-world painters who carries his

vision round with him, so that

it does not matter much where

a landscape is painted, it

a randscape is painted, it always comes out rather the same. The most striking new development is a preoccupation with dead fish, particularly skate, which bulk large in several new paintings, sometimes by themselves cometimes.

tive art between the wars, a very splendid show of Duncan Grant's decorative work, for the Omega Workshop to begin with, then for various grander and more businesslike clients in the Twenties and Thirties. As it happens, this side of his work shows Grant off to particular advantage: even his paintings, when they have some clear and immediate decorative function, like forming a screen or filling a spare piece of wall, have a more uninhibited vitality and grace than when he is taking himself very seriously as an easel painter in the wake of Cézanne. (Admittedly, I am heretical enough to think much away decorations as against his warranted major works.) The painted furniture, the fabric designs, the rugs and bookplates and hats (yes, there is even a hat design for Iris Tree) are all eminently ownable and usable and livable-with; they would brighten anyone's life. John Russell Taylor

"Dance of Exorcism" to primitive rites (notably Stravinsky's Rite of Spring). Yet Henze's third is a personal achievement, not mere prentice work, as ballet audiences have discovered and as I knew when I heard it in Scotland 13 years ago. London concert audiences have missed something in waiting until now for live exposure to its numinous and energetic delights.

The YMSO have flexed their muscles at Henze already, with some success; this summer they are to play at the composer's own festival at Montepulciano. Their account of his third symphony was more than impressive in its natural grasp of style and expressive content. They got most of the notes right, too, and the intricate rhythms held no terrors for them. Now and then the ensemble slipped, but the music was always articulated idiomatically, including room to breathe. Sometimes pertinent string themes were swamped. whether because of the acoustics, or the conductor's care for balance, is open to question. The parts of the work which I The parts of the work which I bave come to value most were communicated with a love and care that any professional orchestra would have to work hard to match. There was no doubt that the players enjoyed doubt that the players enjoyed and admired the music.

The students who form the YMSO will soon be part of our major orchestras—among them still the BBCSSO, all sane musiclovers will optimistically pray. This concert also included Beethoven's Emperor Concerto, sprucely accompanied to match a dazzling, exquisitely rhythmical and tonally alluring account of the solo part by the young British-born Aydin Onac (he has a Turkish father), a pianist who obliged one to appreciate anew the inward poetry and bold wirlity of this great, much-exposed work. The orchestra also gave a vividly engaging account of the anonymous suite from Strauss's Der Rosen-

#### Franklyn takes over in 'Deathtrap'

William Franklyn will take over from Gareth Hunt the leading role of Sidney Bruhl in Ira Levin's thriller Deathtrap at the Garrick Theatre on April 28. The rest of the castremains unchanged. Deathtrap opened at the Garrick in October, 1978, starring Denis Omiliev.

**Ballet Gala** Coliscum

John Percival No disrespect to the u gave their fine and b of the Jacqueline Research Front but fir I must metrical Festiva corps in the scientile formance; of Engles ended the programme They had elready eight performances of ferent programmes is and have another but aware on their one educing as if for the dancing as if for the

and managing the m manding entries with diston and crispness it exhibitating finale gramme of this sort as At their head was team of pribitipals dra the company's own- Eva EvdoRimova seels saited to the ballering the configuration of the configurati the delicacy to bring of of technical display strength to shine dimmed brightness all the ballet Peter S and Patrice Bart bravera display and j partnered Evdokimov somely in the adagio's Festival Ballet began gramme too, with F Terabust leading the

Dvorak Variations, 7 just the middle section evening for a group pieces. Natalia, Maka been expected but ha off at the last minute of influenza. Howe the raste of star qualit The duet from Rolar Chauve-Souris, which Denys Ganio denced make much sense original dramatic con the pair of them peri with so much flair powerful presence d

else mattered. Some of the other chosen numbers that did not show them at t in a gala context. Som from the second act o for instance, did not re Manola Asensia to st she might make of the ballet, nor give Michae much opportunity to sh London debut.

Also appearing for time in London was 'Kozlova, and I believe only time her husband Kozlov, has previously name on a London the eramme was when h the mazurka in Suduring the Bolshoi Bal Covent Garden season It was somewhat or

ing to give them the immediately before th interval. As former soloists they showed ently in the Don Quixc deux, but we have so glamorous, more six more thrilling accoun chance to see this talent to better adva the context of a rather than in this sor matazz.

#### Philharmonia Ashkenazy Festival Hall

Noël Goodwin Anybody more than five late on Sunday would be Finlandia over and o by Vladimir Ashken: conducted it with a s a comic opera overn shedding its pompou consequence, but losi: thing of its grandeur.
Perhaps he was anxio to Sibelius's fourth s which is certainly on composer's most origin and arguably his most cated; reticent of feeli in harmonic and inst colours, and filled wit statements and m veiled allusions

In spite of conduct out a score Mr A seemed more than puzzled by its chara purpose. He nudged it fits and starts, urging bodily with those vehement gestures perhaps to compensate of platform inches. The unfortunately, was a necessary flow and overall shape in his of phrasing. The music became of fragmented si stitched together, t

sometimes left to lo themselves and with gard for dynamics. Suggested practically run-through, a pt sketch for the Sibelius cycle he is a undertaking for the phone, but hardly public consumption. The enigmatic natu A minor symphony in the resolved by one of later symphonies, su seventh or fifth. Air however, plunged to site extreme of romi cal character in d symphony by Rachm paive emotionalism s spite of the late

Its performance put me in mind of a floridly written in on rose-tinted paper. less repetitions ar linings, but unmistal ardour and affection, in those circling swipes of the right which Mr Ashkenar approaching ecstasy.

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He obtained not than a committed from the orchestra. a string ensemble of cision and richness, more firmly founder orchestra's new match eight five-string doub by Krahmer-Pöllmann, rous bottom line indeed

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say that it was entirely in the spirit of the music. So close vas the identification, in fact, that we heard one of those rare performances that interpose nothing between the composer and the audience. Speaking in a strictly metaphorical way, the pianist could be said to have disappeared. Which is not to suggest that the lyricism of the "Valse noble" or the virtuosity of "Pantalon et Columbine" were other than fairly typical of Mr Brendel.

highly romantic, which is to

Schumann composed Kreis-leriana, Op 16, in a few days, in an astonishing access of in-spiration. This may not be entirely unconnected with the fact that the emotions of each piece are much less clearly defined than in the two preceding works. Also, they are fearfully works. Also, they are featurity difficult—unreasonably so, one often feels. Yet technical problems could scarcely have seemed less to the point on this occasion, and the opening "Ausserst bewegt" stormed decisively from start to finish.

were played without exaggerations— even "Traumerei"—
each being exactly to scale.
Greater pleasure arose however, from the countless
planistic felicities which filled
these little canvases, such as
the dark weighting of the bass
in "Wichtige Begebenheit," or
the gently hypnotic emphasis
of "Kind im Einschlummern". More remarkable, however, were the depth of feeling that Mr Brendel revealed in the following "Sehr immig und nicht zu rasch" and in the central section of the third movement, "Seler aufgeregt". There was a finely spontaneous sound, also, to the two "Sehr lang-sam" pieces.

Philip Jones Brass Queen Elizabeth Hall

Hilary Finch

The muse of dance put in a brief but colourful appearance on the South Bank on Sunday for a brilliant, finely controlled performance of Peter Reeve's arrangement for the Philip Jones Brass Ensemble of Praetorius's Terpsichorean It was just as well, for the Muses seemed to have paid only

a fleeting visit during the entire composition of Malcolm Arnold's Symphony for Brass Instruments, especially written Instruments, especially written for the Ensemble and given its first London performance on Sunday. Arnold has written bright, extrovert, idiomatic pieces for brass, but this is not one of them. Howard Snell, conducting, lifted the curiously uncertain, unarresting opening out of sluggishness by

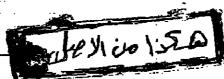
finding just the right tempo to precede the flurries of semi-quavers blown out skilfully in all directions by the four trombones, five trumpets, two horns and tuba.

The quirky second movement minuet, in which trumpets and trombones are pitted against each other but without any real conversation or conflict, was followed by the more dramatic horror movie music of the third movement, redeemed by its long and beautifully played horn solo. The testing double fugue of the finale was the most memorable part, its sprightly ascending motives complemented nicely by a languid

ensemble, the Capriccio for Brass Quintet, in 1977. Truly capricious and constantly fas-cinating, it was played with a gripping sense of casemble song in another highly su throughout, from the firework ful Howarth arrangement.

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America is in a conservative mood, and this man is its natural standard bearer

## Who is afraid of Governor Ronald Reagan?

sat down to lunch at the Lancers Restaurant in Schaumburg, a drab and anonymous there is a self-depr middle-class suburb to the west irony which is pleasant. of Chicago. At my table were a number of youngish Americans. and a secret service man. The questions can be foreseen,
Americans had paid a minimum replies to questions cannot be of \$100 per couple to attend. made from cards, but have to The speaker, and candidate in come straight out of the candi-

He seemed perfectly fit. He does not look his age, which is 69; he has a good colour; he appears healthy and alert. When he rose to speak, he did so in a relaxed way, with none of over-exhilaration which comes to many candidates in the heat and exhaustion of a campaign. His opening stateown experience, I judged that he had reached the stage of being slightly bored by his own speeches, a fatigue which comes to almost everyhody who speaks repeatedly on the same subjects

in a short time. After a short introduction, in which he criticized President Carter's counter-inflation programme, Mr Reagan moved straight to questions. He was the decrease though asked seven questions, though one was followed by tiresome and confused supplementaries. Three questions were on economics, two on politics, one was on a mixture of defence and

economics, and one social. I had expected Governor Reagan's style of answering questions to be skilful. He mixes humour in his replies, in a way that is comparatively rare in American politics. His actual jokes are fairly amusing, but sound as if he had made them before: "You can't rob Peter to pay Paul, We're all Pauls nowadays. Peter went by the inflationary process. He bankrupt a long time ago." It's wants to move to a balanced not 100 funny, and it does not budget. "Balancing a budget is

to break up the seriousness of the reply. As well as the jokes, there is a self-deprecating

to the top table, and was able to observe Mr Reagan closely. Grasp of detail, and particular seemed perfectly fit. He larly of statistical detail, than thorough reply, for instance, to a question on the falling level

a question on the fa of American savings. He said that the rate of saving had been falling for 30 years, that the Japanese rate was no less than seven times the American, and the German three times. No doubt the subject has come up before, and he has a specific proposal to encourage savings, which is to exempt savings bank interest from income tax. Yet on this and other questions he showed considerable precision of statement.

The other point which sur-prised me was that the questions and the answers were so similar to British experience. Energy, inflation, savings, defence, social service scroungers, are all ques-tions which arise in British poli-tics. The answers which Governor Reagan gave were also very much in line with British Conservative answers. On inflation, his first step would be to freeze new hiring of federal civil servants. He would reduce bureau-cracy by transferring pro-grammes back to the states. He believes in raising productivity by raising incentives. He wants to protect people who are being

pushed into higher tax brackets

There were two points I had not expected. Even though come straight out of the candidate's mind. Governor Reagan's The speaker, and campanante the Illinois primaries next Tuesday, was Governor Ronald acting experience may make his replies deceptively agreeable, and the speaker are clearly his I was sitting at a table next but the replies are clearly his to the top table, and was able own. He has a much better had supposed. He gave a

Reagan is some sort of wild extremist. On domestic policy he is no more, and no less, extreme than Mrs Thatcher, at least on he evidence of this meeting. Those who regard Mrs Thatcher as a dangerous extremist will, of course, regard Mr Reagan as one. But those who regard Mrs Thatcher's policy as a legitimate and rational Conservative option should, I think, take the same should, I think, take the same view of Governor Reagan. In foreign policy, he believes in peace through strength, and argues that Russian aggression has been encouraged by American defence weakness. That, too, is a view of the world not unlike Mrs Thatcher's.

like protecting your virtue, you have to learn to say 'no'."

The general fear in Britain,

There were indeed points at which his replies were moder-ate when he could have picked up a round of applause by taking a more sharply conser-vative line. He was asked about people on unemployment benefit who turn down the offer of jobs. He went into some detail jobs. He went into some detail to explain the welfare trap in which unemployed men, particularly with big families, can actually lose money if they take a job. He thought they could not be blamed for saying, "I can't afford to take a job, I can't afford to do this to my family." He hierted the cystom family." He blamed the system,

not the individual. I came away from the lunch reassured about the prospect of a Reagan candidacy, which,

that he is not a second Goldwater JS Elections and in about two-thirds of the United States, is that Governor

William Rees-Mogg, in Chicago,

watches the Republican front runner

who must persuade voters

whatever the outcome of the Illinois primary, is now nearly a certainty. In British terms Mr Reagan is an orthodox conservative, not particularly extreme, certainly not an intellectual, but a reasonable man, with an agreeable compaign with an agreeable campaign style, humerous and probably rather sener than most candi-dates. He is rather too defensive about minor points of criticism, and overdid his explanation of his experience as Governor of California. Governor of California. Whether his conservative poli-cies can be made to work in the United States, or indeed whether Mrs Thatcher's will whether Mrs Inacher's will work in Britain, is still an open question. I elected. Governor Reagan's chance of economic success is probably greater than Mrs Thatcher's, because the American enonomy

On the Saturday morning I had been to a much more dramatic meeting, given in a large church, once a synagogue, on Chicago's South Side, the black area. The meeting was held by Mr Jesse Jackson, who was on the balcony with Martin Luther King when he was assassinated. His organization

is called "Push", and it is devoted to black self-advance-ment. He had invited Mr John a Republican candidate in the primaries. Mr Anderson may well win in Illinois, but saving a miracie he cannot get enough delegates to match Mr Reagan at the convention. The main speaker was the Vice-President, Mr Waker Mondale,

The warm-up speeches, mainly from black candidates. and the choirs, including the South Side Catholic black choir singing "Young, Gifted and Black", were very moving. It is impossible to attend such an occasion without great sympathy for the struggle of black people for their place in American society. Mr Jesse Jackson is himself a brilliant speaker, much given, like Governor Reagan, to one-liners, though his are more moralistic. He emphasized "the correlation emphasized "the correlation between discipline and success" and said: "Do not give any politician a vote he has not earned." He wants to build up black electoral power to help black causes. Mr Anderson did not seem to

be winning many black votes. He is a strong speaker, in a preaching style, with a good voice and an emphatic manner. He failed, however, to reach a good relationship with his audience. He started with a long quotation from a black judge which implied that he was walking with destiny. It may merely be a trick of charm, but I much preferred

approach to his own candidacy to Mr Anderson's apparent belief that he has God as his campaign manager. It seemed the 2,000 blacks felt some of the same reservations. Mr Anderson applauded when he stood up, and hardly applauded at all when he sat down. "A new politics", he said "is struggling to be born." Perhaps

Vice-President Mondale was a very different and much more sympathetic speaker. He reminds one of a younger Hubert Humphrey, who came from the same state, Minnesota, and was indeed his first political patron.
The President's rose-garden strategy has kept the President in the rose garden and sent out the Vice-President to battle far them both in the primaries. He has done so well that, Kennedy or no Kennedy, he must himself a very strong prospect for Democratic nomination in

Mr Mondale made specific claims suited to his audience, President Carter has, he said. appointed more black judges than all previous presidents put together. He went on to make more idealist claims, including one in which, I think, there is some truth. "The United. States was seen as a cynical, uncaring, manipulative nation—that has been turned around." It seems to me that President Carter is indeed seen as an idealist by the rest of the world. When Mr Mondale went on to say, "We have experienced and compassionate leadership, compassionate leadership, leadership that has proven it-self, the word compassion-

word "compassion-ite" rang true, the word proven" did not. In today's Illi-In today's Illinois primaries, Mr Anderson should do well: he attracts independents and the young and he is the local candidate. That will not pre-vent Governor Reagan reaching the Republican convention with,

Bernard Levin

in all probability, a handsome surplus of votes over the bare second Goldwater, an majority required to nominate. to be feared, but a m That is the arithmetical truth responsible conservati which former President Ford recognized in deciding not to enter the race.

President Carter will almost certainly win the Democratic primary in Illinois, though the inflation policy is not popular, and Senator Kennedy seems to be recovering support in the final days. It is still theoretically possible for Senator Kennedy to win the nomination, but he is not trusted, even by those who share his views, and President Carter will probably win. A Carter-Reagan race is therefore nearly a cortainty.

To win, President Carter has to retain the confidence he still rnings, but he has to do that it the face of rising inflation and rising interest rates, uneconomic record. At present he would still win, for he would still carry the industrial heart-land of the midwest and east of America, as well as most of his native south. He also still has the benefit of national unity over the Teheran hostages. To win, Governor Reagon has

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come the fear the per When I was in the California and Utah that Mr Reagan was n a romantic hero, bur supported on his coviews, and was not fe by his political opportween Salt Lake City a lowa, the town of } University, I found shift of view To a westerners Governor man. As one lows R said to me : "I think the worst president in but I don't think I c

for Reagan".
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ters, though in those

#### Clothing grants for children and help with fuel bills for about 10,000 pensioners and disabled reople will be withdrawn this November unless the Government announces changes today when the Social Security Bill has its report stage in the Commons.

Those are some of the changes proposed under the Bill as it stands. The aim is to reduce substantially the amount cf discretion in the supplementary benefits scheme, which has led to exceptional needs payments becoming so common that they can no longer be reason-ably described as "excep-

For example, 370,000 such payments were made in 1966, or 15 per cent of the total number of cases on the supplementary benefits books. By 1975, the number of payments had in-creased to 945,000 and the pro-portion to 34 per cent. Last year, there were 1,199,000 pay-

This dramatic growth reflects partly the accepted fact that supplementary benefit rates are ing on them for long periods to save enough to replace major ftems, such as furniture, cloth-ing for growing children, and household equipment. But it also reflects pressure from the poverty lobby to extend dis-

cretionary payments.

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working class populations are more likely to be generous than those dealing with a much more mixed population.

The Supplementary Benefits Commission, which is being abolished by the Bill, believes that the growing use of dis-cretion has led to considerable difficulties for local staff in discriminating between cases with-out using moral judgments.

tional needs payments will be which are still being drafted. Although Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social decisions on grants for clothing and shoes have not yet been made, the areas the regulations will cover suggest that they will be severely restricted. The Child Poverty Action Group, which points out today that 392,000 payments were made for clothing and shoes in 1978, is urging the Government to consult widely before final-

izing the new regulations. At present the Government

## cuts in special grants

The Bill proposes that excepgoverned by strict regulations,

# Fears of

proposes to stop making excep-tional needs payments to people

fits. They include a large number of retirement pensioners who are better off claiming rent and rate rebates on top of their pensions, instead of supplementary benefit. There are also a number of disabled or chronically sick people claiming invalidity pensions, whose rates are above the basic supplementary benefit level

ments should be limited people

Supplementary Benefits Commission insists that the change from a totally discretionary system to one operating on precise regulations is not an attempt to cut the number of exceptional needs payments. There is no provision for saving on them in the financial memor-

But the CPAG and other groups fear that a cut is pre-cisely what will result if the regulations are drawn up with no outside advice. They will be taking part in a lobby at the Commons today organized by

Pat Healy

not receiving supplementary benefit. That, however, might be considered too drastic a change, particularly when a sig-nificant number of disabled people and pensioners now re-ceive the payments although they do not draw supplementary benefit

Both groups are, in fact, en-titled to supplementary benefit but instead claim other benebelow the long term rate which will be paid after one year in-stead of two under the terms of the Bill.

About 10,000 elderly and disabled people would lose any right to needs payments unless the Government decides to change the Bill. The review of the supplementary benefits scheme recommended that pay benefits people entitled to benefit, instead of to anyone not in full time work, as at present. But the Bill proposed a tighter restriction: to those actually re ceiving supplementary benefit.

andum to the Bill.

the National Campaign Against Social Security Cuts.

## Having mixed thoughts about Cicero The Cicero problem is a very intractable one. In essence.

true, it is simple, and can be reduced to a single question. The trouble, however, is that the question is almost impossible to answer. It is do we like him or do we not? The question must be kept

carefully distinct from others that present themselves, and that on a cursory inspection seem to be the same, or at any rate indissolubly linked. Thus: do we trust him? I think we certainly do. Do we wish to sit mext to him at dinner? On the whole, I think we do not. Was he, on balance, a Good Thing? Surely yes. But do we like him? Do we warm to him? Do we sympathize with his predicament and his weaknesses, do we cheer him on against Catiline or Clodius, do we feel involved with him, do we, when his slave delivers a note asking if he may drop round, immediately experience a sensation of pleasure and anticipation? I really do not know, and my

doubts are not, as they would

be in the case of many another man, tantamount to an answer in the negative; without actually having had the benefit of a first-hand acquaintance with him, I think it is impossible to say for certain whether I like him or not. And the question has presented itself to me very directly because I have just read Professor D. R. Shackleton Bailey's complete translation of Cicero's letters. These are divided into his letters to Atticus (which was strictly a nickname, derived from the Phil-hellenism of Cicero's friend and correspondent, who was born Titus Pomponius), and his letters to his other friends and his family. Professor Shackleton published vast Social Services Correspondent letters a decade or so ago;

both sets of letters have now been published in three volumes in the Penguin Classics; I have just read the lot; and I still do not know whether I like Cicero

r whether I don't.
If I do not, it is not for lack of material or interpretation of it. There are 909 letters in all that more than survive from the correspondence of any other figure of classical antiquity indeed, fifteen centuries were to elapse before a greater epis-tolary vein was mined, in the letters of Erasmus; the earliest dates from November 68, the last from July 43. Cicero was 38 when he wrote the first; the last was written five months bemath of Octavian's march on Rome and uneasy alliance with Antony and Lepidus. The editing is throughout a model of arship; Professor Shackleton Bailey even corrects Cicero's misjudgments when there is evidence that they were baseless, and his three comprehensive glossaries, of persons, places and terms, almost his not quite make up for the lack of an

indez. But I still do not know whether I like Cicero. Para-doxically, I like him when I leave my emotions out of consideration. He took on the unspeakable Clodius (the one who infiltrated the sacred feminine rites in Caesar's own house) for the same reason that he took on Catiline; they were both dangerous blackguards and deserved to be driven from Rome. Unfortunately, the delicate belance of power when it came to Clodius was suddenly tilted against Cicero, and it was he who had to flee the capital, while the triumphant degener-

he has recently followed this ate had Cicero's very house with a translation of the rest of Cicero's extant correspondence; not to sympathise with Cicero throughout the struggle, nor to rejoice when he is re-enfran-chised, compensated and—ulti-mately—revenged. But I am nagged by a feeling that my sympathy is derived from the fact that Cicero in this matter was a victim of injustice, rather

than from a true fellow-tecling.
And there is, undeniably, much to be said on the other side. Cicero's best friend (Atticus, I take it) could hardly. deny that there is a sense of self-satisfaction about him that unappealing:

I happened to be absent when the decree was voted . . I administered what I felt to be a highly impressive rebuke to the Senate, speakrebuke to the Senate, speak-ing with no little weight and fluency in a not very res-nertable cause and I Senate's proceedings are at Cicero, in his only set pectable cause . . . and I have not only borne with it but lent it my eloquence. . . danger of a complete break between Senate and Knights. . . Here again it was I who stepped into the breach. Through my efforts they found the Senate in full

mood . . . The tone, even down to that mock-deprecating qualification ("in a not very respectable cause"), is that of Macaulay, and I am perfectly certain that I don't like him. Moreover, there is a coldness about Cicero, an air of feeling nothing but the correctness of certain emotions at certain times, that makes me uneasy. There is a letter from Servius Sulpicius Rufus to Cicero, telling in the sparsest language of the murder

but it has a directness and simplicity that make it more moving than anything I could feel from Cicero's side of any the correspondence. His personal aloofness; he tried to remain on good terms with most of the factions (except so was matched by his skill in keeping his deeper emotions concealed—to such an extent, indeed, that it is difficult to resist the conclusion that he

the other side. He was devotedly loyal to his friends, his

times positively Hansardian in their completeness); he was clearly a true repository of Roman honour; though a dangerous foe, he was not on the whole vindictive -- even in exile, he is contemptuous of Clodius rather than full of hate for him, and his account of his restoration to position and for-tune is remarkably free of ranattendance and la generous cour or gloating; he was alert

and alive to the last, inquisitive and receptive; he was certainly brave; he is never boring, at any rate in his letters (I have feeling that his speeches would have been another matter); he was obviously a superb lawyer, though some that is not in itself the very highest praise one man can bestow on another.

I would very much like to have known him, and this is a conclusion I have come to after reading his correspondence. There is no reason to suppose that he had any thought of pubby a madman of a mutual friend of theirs. It includes virtually nothing but the facts.

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#### **LONDON DIARY**

#### Nourishing food for thought

I must admit that when I re-ceived an invitation to meet the Venezuelan Minister of State for the Development of Human Intelligence at the House of Commons last Friday, my first reaction was that someone was playing a joke. In fact. Dr Luis Machado.

a cabinet minister in the Christian Democratic government which came to power last year, is a scrious and com-mitted politician who believes that human intelligence is the world's most important, and under-exploited, natural resource.
In his words: "If it is pos-

sible to develop everyone's telligence systematically, and I am convinced that it is possible, then we have the biggest revolution in history on our hands. Understanding of science is then no longer the privilege of a minority but the

Dr Mechado is in London to publicise the English translation of his book, The Right to he Intelligent, which is being published by Mr Robert Maxwell's Pergamon Press. In the book he argues strongly that intelligence is not a matter of beredity and can only be developed through education. In his year in office, he has made an impressive start on practising what he preaches. Mothers of new-born babies, members of the armed forces



and public service workers in Venezuela are all now receiving lessons in developing their intelligence. Dr Machado has also succeeded in getting the right to think added to the United Nations charter of human rights.

The Venezuelan programme uses the techniques developed by Dr Edward de Bono, the British expert in lateral thinking and director of the Cogni-tive Research Trust. Dr de Bono is delighted that Vene-

zuela is the first country in the world to put the subject of thinking on to the school curriculum. He would dearly like to see a similar programme adopted in Britain but accepts that there might be resistance here to the idea of a minister of intelligence or thinking with its 1984-ish connotations. Certain aspects of Dr Machado's approach might well

appeal to Mrs Thatcher, how-ever. "He provides an answer to Marxist ideology", suggests Robert Maxwell. "If individuals can be taught to develop their intellectual ability to resolve their problems, they no longer need to look blindly to a collective body".

Perhaps we can expect to see some appropriately intellectual Tigure translated to this interesting new post in the next cabinet reshuffle.

If Sherlock Holmes's fictional residence at 221B Baker Street had ever existed, it would pre-sumably be commemorated by a plaque somewhere on the south slopes of Ahbey House, the headquarters of the Abbey National Building Society. The society wants to replace the undistinguished 1930-ish halding with what will presumably be an equally undistinguished 1980-ish building. Local residents are arguing that the redevelopment will be a woste of scarce funds which would otherwise he available for mortwhich ought to know better, has failed to consult them. Curious, is it not, Wotson:

#### Hats of

The photograph below, which shows Miss Susan Charman, an undergraduate at St Hugh's College, chronicles a small revolution that has just taken place at Oxford. It is only in the last three weeks that female memrs of the university have been allowed to discard their traditional soft caps (described by Miss Charman as "like dead pancakes") and wear mortar



Susan Charman, mortar board pioneer

The decision to change the rules about academic headgear has been taken because Oxford is about to have its first female proctor. Miss Theodora Cooper, also from St Hugh's. As all Oxonians know the main function of proctors is constantly to doff their caps at degree ceremonies. Realizing the difficul-ties of doffing dead pancakes, the Vice Chancellor has decreed that Miss Cooper and all others of her sex may now wear mortar boards, or square caps as they are technically described. all formal academic occa-Sions.

Miss Charman, who is in her second year, is delighted by the ruling and is looking forward to wearing her morter board when she takes her final examinations next year. She ought to be warned, however, that in his official announcement the Vice Chancellor made clear that female members of the university would be expected " to ob-serve the customs associated with the wearing of soft caps", an ominous plurase which baffles both me and the university's information officer.

At Cambridge, women have had the right to wear mortar boards for a long time, but they are seldom seen on the heads of undergraduates. Unlike at Oxford, students are not required to dress up in sub fusc to take exams, and at degree ccremonics they are simply told to carry their caps by their left

They still take sartorial matters seriously in the Fens, however. Apparently if any girl is spotted at a degree ceremony without her cap or wearing im-proper attire like boots, the praelector of her college has to offer a bottle of port to the

#### Juiet waters

Reassuring news from Scottish correspondent. The Royal Navy diving team investigating reports that the waters around Sullom Voe oil terminal in Shetland might conceal

unexploded have surfaced with sinister than a co of old beer tins a pain and a bag of cement.

During the war Sullo was a base for RAF boats. One aircraft which at its moorings was thou have been armed with 250lb bombs. When that known, other wartime to the Voe surfaced and a team led by Lieutenant mander John Belchamber to investigate. They local sunken flying boat but it

Hardly were their suits dry, however, who shipping off Shetland alerted to look out for on the loose which had sported by a trawier. Shetland tracked down rogue explosive and found was a harmless pi model.

No one is watching the Monday evening comedy:

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The strategy is sound; but is economically and ally in no position to put large sums involved or nore than a modest tontrito an international affort. is here at stake, and it is ant to understand the and processes involved. ody would wish to Wthhe first aid that a wared country requires in the iate aftermath. It is technical Having spec 30 million on staging at n which has enabled the s of Zimbabwe to choose ulers and so end, the civil t is unquestionably right 3ritain should agree to ts for personnel and experintegrate the once-warting because success in so will obviate any immediate of another conflict break-

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ional unity on a new basis.

names has very properly as a peacetime establishment may way—which inherently it is capneed some new equipment, but the country is awash with arms, and presumably there is no intention to prepare it for anything more than a defensive and security role.

. First aid is needed to achieve two other desiderata. One is the resertlement of the refugees from the war on their old, or on new, farmland. This is a matter, in terms of external aid, of transport, housing, medical aid, and other ingredients of normal and well-understood " disaster aid". Britain can afford to supply personnel and finance some supplies for this purpose.

The other need, and it is urgent, is the provision of employment. Continued largescale unemployment will be destabilizing and prolong the banditry. Mr Mugabe must find jobs for his party henchmen and for those of his warriors who do nor stay in the new army: he will have to cut into white employment in some sectors to do so. But as he will be aware, most of the unemployed have to be absorbed by reviving industry. anufacturing, mining, commerce and commercial (cash crop) ariculture.

t is difficult to see how Britain can assist very far in this latter process. There will be talk of invertment, standby credits, and international loans. What this w Zimbabwe army is also amounts to is underwriting employer, and jobs are Zimbibwe's budgetary deficit, a premium. So this is a and bilance of payments deficit investment. The new army until the country is paying its

able of doing. But the sum involved is not yet known, though the aid mission which Sir Ian Gilmour promises may identify it. It is sure to be beyond Britain's ability to meet singlehanded: it amounts to paying for those of Zimbabwe's urgent imports which Zimbabwe cannot pay for-and even if Britain put up all or some of the money to finance such "unrequited ex-ports", it is doubtful if British industry could supply all the equipment. To put up British foreign exchange to enable Zimbabwe to buy elsewhere simply adds to our present difficulties —and inflation. The days when we could subsidize an economy like Malawi's, even, are over.

Mr Mugabe has shown his sensitivity to Zimbabwe's credit rating by promising to service its legitimate debts. He is wisc. for the only source of sizable standby credits and soft loans would seem to be from the international institutions, at least initially. Whether they can move fast enough is a question. It is no port of Britain's obligations to guarantee those bonds which during UDI became speculative counters. What is needed is a swift practical analysis, and an international programme based on it. And here Britain, which had primary responsibility for the constitutional moves to bring Zimbabwe into being, can play a leading diplomatic role organizing support for economy.

#### CARTER'S ATTACK ON INFLATION

ent Carter's package of nic measures are aimed at ng price stability within ited States rather than imthe foreign exchange n of the dollar. Yet it is in Oureign exchange markets hey have received their st welcome. The dollar lay continued the advance foreign exchange markets it has been making in reeks. Yet in New York the udgment seems to have ae of some caution.

views are right. The latest an measures are likely to heir most immediate imi the international scene, they should make a ant contribution to the down of world inflation. ir impact on the American y is likely to be limited w to appear. It is underle that those in the States who have been disby the apparent unwillingthe Carter Administration the defeat of inflation at of its priorities should proof that a corner has ∡rneď:

should not blind us to ct that President Carter t Teast seem to have come is with the need to restore mce both abroad and at n the worth of the dollar. ost immediate impact of

raise interest rates in the United States above even their present levels. The will lead to further inflows of funds seeking the higher yiells, inflows which can be expected to lead to an appreciation of the dollar against other currencies and against alternatives o paper money such

as gold. This will tend to reduce many of the inflationary pressures which have seen building up within the word economy. It is clear that the reation of credit within the Utited States has been far too raid over the past year. This has not merely had an effect on Anerican inflation rates. It has also uelled a wholly unhealthy increase in speculative demand for commodities, especially metals. The President's action will reduct this speculative pressure and thus help the fight against inflation throughout the world.

The latest measures are but the final touches it a series of actions which have been taken since October to tinten credit conditions in the Utited States. They have forced theother main industrial countries to follow with similar credit ightenings of their own to preven a drama-tic collapse in the value of their currencies. Although here has been no conscious deision by the nations of the West, they have all been forced into adoptest measures will be to ing an anti-inflationary nonetary

policy in line with the American

The Administration has now shown that it is willing to adapt its fiscal policies to the needs of that monetary stance. The com-mitment to balance the budget is hedged around with all the qualifications which must be implied in a society where there is a separation of powers between the executive and the legislature. Nevertheless, it is an act of some political courage in an election year. The Administration is accepting the short term inflafionary consequences of putting an extra tax on oil and the political consequences of cutting public spending. It does these things in the full knowledge that its action increases the risks that there will be a severe recession in the immediate future.

Yet those risks must be borne if the inflationary psychology which has gripped the United States is to be exorcized from the country's economy. The new measures will not bring inflation down rapidly. Yet those who believe that price stability is the most important economic target a government can pursue would be wise to refrain from overhasty criticism because of that. Inflationary pressures have been allowed to build up over many years in the United States. For the first time, we may have the basis of a policy which will push them back.

These conflicting pressures

make uncertainty and poor

morale the normal condition of

the council's staff. Should they

try to be less elitist, and further

reduce their spending (now about a third of the total) on

the big national musical and

theatrical institutions? Or should

they foster the metropolitan best

and let the regions look after

themselves? Should they respect

popular taste and restrict the

already small share of their

support that goes to experi-

mental work? Financial string-

ency almost inevitably imposes

a move away from experiment: already the council has decided

to replace a series of concerts

of modern music at the Royal

Festival Hall this spring with a

more familiar programme. But

in fact the diversity of the Arts

Council's patronage is a sign of

good health. In our own time

more than any other, there is no

common agreement about the

right form, for the arts or the

right manner in which they

should make contact with every-day life. A council that is not dominated by any particular interest and backs the horses it

fancies as far as a tight budget

permits, probably serves as well

as any.

#### R BACKING FOR THE ARTS

the climate of the times. John-Stevas has done well Arts Council. The level nt assigned to it in the ; year approximately offhe general increase in m. In practice, the grant e effect of a small cut, e the council begins the al year with larger outig commitments than usual a mid-season cut in this grant made by the present iment on taking office), cause there is little scope

arts for saving in manthe head under which rise fastest. Like many a mion, the council was putabout last vent that it need more than 20 per cent · level in real terms next out the outcome must cause e relief than disappoint-

ouncing the grant, Mr St tevas urged commercial its to do more to patronize s. Sponsorship has been an singly valuable source of t in recent years. But in ure it is an unpredictable regular aid, and tends to ly to the more dignified. of activity. In aggregate, lever likely to amount to than a small proportion of

ection of souls

Ar Nicolas Walter

nur Religious Affairs Corres-

it contrasts proselytizing cults.

churches and denominations,

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hers are old and large; and

ny outsiders, the latter prob-do more harm than the inrough their great

ice in education, broadcasting,

for everyone, any proposal

rict the activity of minority us organizations should be

s an attempt to restore the

are which prevented freedom distinus (and fireligious) t in this country for most of

ory and which was weakened.

ess, morality and law:

of the latter (March 10).

public support, itself ow in Britain compared to most similar countries. Some sections of the Conservative Party have doubts about the very ilea of state support for an aethetic quango, but the council's alministrative costs are low (at the per-cent of the total), and its unduly elaborate structure of advisory committees has recently undergone drastic pruning.
The award will allow the

council to continue its operations in much the same way is at present, though some enterprises which have been just strugiling along with its support will no doubt fail to survive another year. Some observers may be disappointed that the award coes not force the council to make the kind of harsh reappraisal of obligations that major cuts would require. Ever since its incepton it has been criticized for lacking a policy, in the sense of a distinct idea of what kind of art it exists to promote. These crticisms are often linked to calls for greater democracy in its affairs, by which is usually meant either more influence for vested interests, such as pdets and actors, or for more or less political interests, such as the trade unions.

system in which any kind of orgini-zation is restricted by anything much than the basic rules of a pluralist

Surely a more sensible idea would be to put all religious organizations on the same legal basis as each other and as all other organizations. Then truth and falsehood could at last grapple in a free and own

encounter. NICOLAS WALTER Rationalist Press Association, 88 Islington High Street, N1.

#### Derelict land

From Dr. Andrew H. Dawson. Sir, Professor Chiaholm has drawn attention again (March 5) to the ampty land in our cities. He proputed that owners of such laid should be taxed, and thus encouraged to redevelop it.

Would this be effective? Mitch of the land belongs to local authori-T in this country for most of ties and in some cities most of its and in some cities most of its and in some cities most of its ory and which was weakened falls in this category. It is likely venturies of bitter struggle. That any tax on such authorities that any tax on such authorities would be passed immediately to the

ratepayers. At a time when some of the largest manufacturing firms in. Edinburgh are warning that substan-tial increases in the rates may curtail their plans for expansion it may be optimistic to suppose that Pro-fessor Chisholm's suggestion would encourage the economic regenerahand, it may not be possible for authorities such as Glasgow to accelerate their housing redevelopment plans in order to avoid the tax without exposing some of the city's peripheral housing estates to even greater problems of underoccupation and dereliction than they face at

Rather than encourage any further growth of tax collecting should local authorities not cut the costs of redevelopment by giving away their land to those who are prepared to accept the challenge of moving back into our urban wastelands? Yours faithfully, ANDREW H. DAWSON, Department of Geography.

The University,

St Andrews.

March 6.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Propaganda and the Olympics

From Mr Arthur Koestler Sir, May I suggest that the BBC show one of the excellent filmed reports of the 1936 Nazi Olympiad in Berlin for the benefit of those innocents who still maintain that specifies events have no political sporting events have no political propaganda value.

Yours, ARTHUR KOESTLER. 8 Montpelier Square, SW7. March 14.

From Professor Sir Cecil Parrott Sir, Some of your readers may not be aware that the Eastern European press gives wide coverage daily to the protests made by some Western Olympic athletes or officials against the proposed boycott. It is even claimed that in some cases dissenting athletes have deliberately sent copies of their letters or articles to the Soviet press itself. Thus throughout Eastern Europe such athletes have become unwittingly—and I ear sometimes wittingly—front-line runners in propaganda for the Soviet Union and everything hateful connected with it in an area where the inhabitants live in a state of

Yours faithfully. CECIL PARROTT, The Old Vicarage, Abbeystead,

From Mr John A. Murphy

From Mr John A. Murphy
Sir, Prior to the last general election, Prime Minister-elect Thatcher was telling us that freedom of choice for the individual was an essential of the British way of life.

I presume this is still the same today, with the exception of those potential Olympic athletes and Olympic travellers who happen to be employed by the Civil Service or the Armed Forces.

Yours faithfully.

Yours faithfully, JOHN A. MURPHY, North Harrow, Middlesex. March 12.

From Mr J. M. Bouse Sir, Are the athletes in favour of participating in the Moscow Olympic Games, the British Government's dissidents?

Yours faithfully, J. M. BOUSE. Fanshawe Place, Cowlev. Oxford March 12.

#### Christians in Africa From the Bishop of London and

Sir, We have heard with distress and surprise that Rishop Desmond Tutu's passport has been withdrawn by the South African authorities,

and we would like to know why.

He is known to each of us; he is highly respected internationally as a man of integrity.

An act of this sort can only damage the South African Govern-

ment's standing in the world, and barricularly among Christians in England where Bishop Tutu is so well known. Yours faithfully,

Yours faithfully,
GERALD LONDIN.
ENG ABBOTT.
ROBERT BIRLEY.
SYDNEY H. EVANS.
GEOFFREY
SOUTH HERETORD.
ROBALD HARRIS.
FELIXABETH
JOHNSTON.
LYCDALE LAMBERT.
JOHN WINTON.
LYCDALE LAMBERT.
LORDIN WINTON.
LYCDALE LAMBERT.
LORDIN WINTON. London House Barton Street. Westminster, SW1.

#### Islamic Cultural Centre From the Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt

March 17.

Sir, David Watts's report "London Muslims in bitter dispute", published on February 18, bas given the wrong impression and distorted the image of a distinguished Egyptian theologian and religious scholar, by name Dr Zuki Badawi, the Director of the Islamic Cultural Centre in

Furthermore, it has done some furthermore, it has done some damage to the reputation of the Egyptian theologians and Imams who are working with him at the centre, if not to the Egyptian religious scholars in general. It is this fact which has impelled the Egyptian religious scholars and Imams working at the centre to call on me to clarify any confusion which me to clarify any confusion which might have arisen as a result of Mr Watts's report, in the minds of The Times's readers who are interested in Islam.
Dr Badawi combines a distin-

guished and varied qualification with a rich experience which has made him keenly aware of the posi-tion of Muslims not only in the Arab world but also in Asia and Africa When Egypt proposed the name of Dr Badawi to run the centre, its proposal was unanimously approved by the Council of Muslim Ambassa-dors in London, in choosing Dr Badawi and his Egyptian colleagues at the centre, Egypt aimed at serving the cause of Islam and meeting the religious requirements of a large Muslim community who fortunately enjoy full freedom of worship in a country which has a rare and well

known record of tolerance at all levels. Egypt is a founder member of the centre and it played the principal role in setting it up as a religious establishment subject to British laws. She still maintains her ownership of the land on which the centre was built in Regent's Lodge.

Egypt, which has provided the centre with religious Imams since its inception, will continue its support to the centre. She will always endeavour to help the centre to steer away from any political cur-rents or any subsidiary matters which would deflect it from ful-filling its noble task in the service of the Muslim community in the United Kingdom. Yours faithfully,

H. ABOU-SEÉDA. Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt. 26 South Street, Wir

BBC cuts: a question of priorities

From Professor Angus McIntosh Sir, For years now I have watched with admiration the profoundly important and growing contribution made by BBC Scotland through its television and radio school pro-Some measure of the grammes.
" official "

"official" reception to these
is provided by the approbation
of them by local educational
authorities, one result of which is that Scottish schools are now probably the best equipped in the world to receive and record such things. Teachers themselves have freely acknowledged the great value of having these programmes at

their professional disposal. The schools department offers a wealth of programmes which have created as nothing else could an increased awareness of Scotland, its history and traditions, its literature and music, its languages and wave of speech. This has influenced nor only children but teachers, and not only teachers but many thousands of others in Scotland, to say nothing of all those Scots in England and oversers in whom these things

lie near the heart.

It is therefore with alarm that I now learn that BBC Scotland proposes in less than a month to cut by 25 per cent the modest 2 per cent of its resources at present allocated to these programmes and with total incredulity that it intends a year later to cease to fund them at all, in contravention of the BBC

charter itself.
Can it be that, though I have tried to obtain the true facts, I have been wildly misinformed? If not, I should be glad to hear, along with your many Scottish readers everywhere, to say nothing of all others who care about education, some explanation of these unbelievable proposals. I hope that the Board of Governors will inform us (a) why BBC Scotland is, as it would appear, uniquely singled out for the withdrawal of funds for schools broadcasting of its own creation, and (b) why there plans have been made (as I am told) without consultation with the Schools Broadcasting Councils and

against their views.

I shall be delighted if it turns out that, beneath their gruff exteriors, these latter-day hammers of the Scots have some even better alternative educational programme in mind about which they are too modest to say anything. If it is not so, the disa-stroug long-term results do not bear thinking about. Yours faithfully,

ANGUS MCINTOSH. 32 Blacket Place, Edinburgh. March 7.

From Mr Melvyn Bragg Sir, The cuts which the BBC feels chilged to make are clearly narmful to interests—especially in music and education—which, ironically, it has served so well. The crucial point to be made however is not whether one cut is more valid than another but whether any of them should be necessary.

should be necessary.

The cuts are being made because the BBC's licence fee has been allowed to lag behind its requirements. For over 50 years this unique method of funding as enabled the BBC to be popular, authoritative and the world leader in the making and broadcasting of quality programmes. Yet, ignoring all this. ignoring the fact that the public

#### London medical schools

From Professor G. P. Lewis . Sir, I feel compelled to make an immediate response to the report of the Flowers committee on London medical education.

I am appalled at the suggestion in the report that the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences should be expelled from the university and that the established university staff should be made to relinquish their university status. What is worse is that no reason is given for suggesting this unprecedented step of dispensing with the services of over 50 university staff at the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences.

It is unlikely that the reason for the recommendation could be noor

the recommendation could be poor academic performance. The instiacademic performance. The insti-tute can show an excellent research record over its 29 years. Three members have been elected to the Royal Society during that time. The work of the institute has been inter-nationally recognized in the fields of inflammation, arthritis, arterial thrombouls and asthma. Last Priday (March, 7), the BBC reported on television and radio the results of experiments carried out here at the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences in collaboration with Imperial Collaboration with I lege which have led to the latest break-through in the development of therapeutic agents to counteract asthma. To destroy an institute asthma. To destroy an institute which is so productive of high quality research simply because it does not fit into a theoretical geographical pattern would not only be unjust but would be in direct conflict with one of the principles of a university, to encourage the development of original research.

It also seems unlikely that the reason for the committee's recommendation is financial. The Institute of Basic Medical Sciences' share of the University Grants Committee money appropriated to London University, about £150th, is small (at present about £400,000; planned to

licence fee is raised, and ignoring the large place which relavision par-ticularly has in the leisure of the majority in this country—successive governments have let the fee dwindle. Now it is inadequate and cuts must be made. Moreover, as it is dependent on Government's funcy. the ever-present political and party pressure must find a less sure target in a dependent corporation. Richness and variety are threarened, therefore, and so is independence. All for want of a sensible

seems to mind very little if the

increase in the fee and a proper index-linking which would take it cut of politics. The licence fee holds the solution to the BBC's future. All the very understandable regret and resent. ment at the cuts would do well to focus on that-for by bringing the licence fee into line with needs and ensuring it stays there oll that is

MELVYN BRAGG. 12 Hampstead Hill Gardens, NW3.

being cut now could be recovered.

From Mr M. Weaver

Yours sincerely.

Sir, As one of the ten million listeners to the "ephomeral and trashy" Radio One. I feel that I should clear up a few of the miscon-ceptions aired recently on this page

by Raymond Fischer (March 5).
One of his suggestions was that
Radin 1 and 2 should be amalgamated. This, fortunately is rendered impossible by the fact that the types of music alayed by the two stations are as different as a Mozart quintet and The Archers: a difference which I am sure Mr Fischer will

prestate.

Redio 1 plays a vital role in the culture of this country by enabling new, young British hands to play sessions or live tracks to a large, non-regionalized audience, which, by their very nature, local rad'n stations are not able to do, even if they had the resources. Rock and pop music is one of the few fields in which this country still influences the rest of the world. For example, at this very moment, a record by a Reltish group is at the top of the American charts, while last year Elton John had a sell-out tour in the USSE. For this to courinue, it is essential that, there is national coverage of new trends in music.

Another point I would like to make is that there is precious little done nowadays to provide cultural facilities specifically for the great majority of young neople who are not "into" Mozart, Dvořák or bingo. Here in Scotland there is only one venue at which major hands regu-larly play concerts, and at every performance which I have attended over the past four years, all 3,000 seats were sold and crowds were standing outside, often for hours, in an attempt to buy tickets for standing room. And vet, while cultural facilities for adults receive huge subsidies from the taxoayer (£3,000 r week in the case of the Glasgow King's Theatre), the Glasgow Apollo is under threat of closure because the owners are not making a profit. I do not expect Mr Ramond Fischer to appreciate our music, but please leave us the few opportuni-ties we have to listen to it.

Yours faithfully. MARTIN WEAVER, Bearsden.

be reduced to less than £200,000 by 1962-83). In addition the support in research grants from outside the university, expressed as a percentage of total income, is the second highest of all London medical schools (Flowers report) and is a schools (Flowers report) and is a measure of the quality of the research as judged by our scientific peers outside the institute. Furthermore, in 1978 the amount of these grants was over £200,000, which could be lost to the university in terms of "soft money". It follows therefore that in discarding the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences the university stands to lose money, not save it. That is, if research is still to be regarded as a university function. The university thus has in

the institute of Basic Medical Sciences an economically managed research centre of excellence.

In addition the institute provides training courses for up to 500 medical graduates who are preparing for specialization into disciplines such specialization into disciplines such as surgery, anaesthetics, dentistry. Most of these graduates have received their undergraduate training abroad but are destined to join, or already serve, in our NHS hospitals. The Flowers committee have shown no sign of considering any of these attributes in arriving at their suggestion to "phase out" the Institute of Basic Medical Sciences. They did not even visit the institute of stations. They did not even visit the institute. In fact, it appears from the report that this one decision was made without any consideration at all. How many other recommendations have been made without due con-

sideration? In my opinion their recommenda-tion is irrational and unjust. Furthermore this example questions the credibility of the whole report, which should be rejected in toto. GRAHAM LEWIS. Institute of Basic Medical Sciences, Royal College of Surgeons of

England, 3543 Lincoln's Inn Fields, WC2. March 11.

no doubt that the substance of this

report deserves the closest atten-

tion of MPs and others. Surely this

consideration takes precedence over

the internal preoccupations of the FDA? Further debate on the merits of a statutory public right of access to official information, the

principle of which is now supported

by a wide range of organizations

from the Law Society to the National Association of Citizens

Advice Bureaux, must be permitted

to draw upon evidence supplied by civil servants themselves. The

potential role of the FDA in this process is considerable. It is there-

fore greatly to be desired that the FDA will rethink its position, a somewhat ironic one in the circum-stances, and publish this important

report at the earliest opportunity.

Yours faithfully,

MARTIN SMITH,

Grange Road,

Cambridge.

l Grange Gardens,

#### Out in the open

From Mr Martin Smith

Sir, Your reporter, Peter Hennessy (March 13), has revealed the contents of a confidential document prepared for the Association of First Division Civil Servants (FDA) on open government, drafted by a team of three under the chairman-ship of Mr Stephen Linstead. This report finds that the "Civil Service could probably live with a freedom of information Act without teams. of information Act without too much difficulty.

Commenting on the FDA's decision not to make this document more widely available, Mr John Ward, the association's general secretary, is reported as saying that "it was not a subject of overriding interest to members at the moment, they are primarily concerned

with pay and pensions".

This decision is most regrentable. Whatever the "overriding interest" of FDA members, who are public servents, might be, there can be great article on the "smoke-filled rooms" of Blackpool in October 1963. His article of today (March 10) contains much of the story of the manoeuvrings in the Macmillan succession, tortuous as they were. My own part, to which he refers, was to act as Macleod's eyes and ears and, in the smoke-filled room, butler of those "long thin scotches". Perhaps I might amplify the arm own activities or earlier

from my own activities, or rather passivities.

The news broke, as intended, on the evening of our arrival at Blackpool. There was a hizarre hunt through the town for my boss, who was due to address the Conserva-tive agents. From that moment the

Sessions in the

From Sir Reginald Bennett

smoke-filled rooms

Sir, I still have by me David Wood's

tension mounted. On the Wednesday Muriel Bowen told me that her interview for the dale bad suddenly been put off. Taking this with Randolph Churchill's precipitate return from the United States to lead the "Ovintin" campaign, it seemed clear that Lord 111

Hailsham was going to renounce his title and throw his hat in the ring.

So he did. But it soon became clear that Rab Butler's supporters and Ouintin's were each able to stop the other, yet insufficient to prevail for themselves. So there was

At about this time I began to hear talk of Alec Home; sporadically at first but then with increasing insistence. I reported this to lain.
"There's a dark horse, and he's conting up the rails fast."
"Who?"

" Alec." Don't talk nonsense." "I'm not inventing this. I'm bearing it everywhere. I assure you." Absolute rot; it's not a pos-

But it's being said." "Quite impossible. I have heard him affirm cate prically that he was not a candidate." Maybe he isn't, or wasn't; but

that doesn't say that he hasn't been And so it happened. Iain had certainly been told, by me at least, but he was quite imprepared to

believe it.

More and more the reports came more and more the reports came in, and soon he and Reggie Maudling, partners in a non-aggression pact, simply had to take them seriously. Then followed the "snoke-filled room" session. The rest is history—or will be if enough of the dwindling bend of survivors reveal their knowledge in time. I have the honour to be, Sir, Faithfully yours. REGINALD BENNETT. 37 Cottesmore Court, W8.

#### The welfare of the world

From Mr Kyril Tidmarsh Sir, Mr Edward Heath's argument about the lessons of Afghanistan and Turkey (March 12) is sound and now familiar. By reacting rather than acting

by giving too little, the industrialized countries too often failed to help remedy the poverty and underdevelopment which are the root cause of instability in so many developing countries. However, there is another point.

It is not only a question of inade-quate growth and insufficient aid in dallar or sterling terms. The £1m of British aid to Afghanistan may indeed have been little for a country with a per caput income of £40 a year. But apart from more economic aid there is also the need to encourage developing countries to tackle those glaring inequalities between rich and poor which are probably as destabilising as the inadequacy of economic develop-

ment.
This kind of advice from the North is often painful. Put crudely it means telling the "baves" of the South, before it is too late, to distri-South, before it is too late, to distribute more to their "have-nots" and to permit them to narticipate more in providing for their own needs. It does not help to make friends among those with wield the reins of power and wealth. Nonetheless such good counsel and encouragement cannot be shirked, because what rankles with the poor of the earth is less the relative noverty of their is less the relative poverty of their countries as their own deprivation compared with the affluence they can see in the same village or street. can see in the same village or street.

A leading article in the Kabul
Times of December 27 last year
published in the midst of the wellknown events, argued, "economic
growth is important in meeting
basic human needs—but nor allimportant: the question is more complex than that Given the right complex than that. Given the right priorities, poor countries can make progress in meeting non-material needs such as health education and participation right now. There is no reason to wait for significant economic growth before acting." It was a relevant point, echoing an International Labour Organization totals but made companies late in study, but made somewhat late in the day. Yours faithfully.

KYRIL TIDMARSH, Villa Malgré Tout, 1295 Mies, Switzerland. March 14.

#### Everest high-fliers From Lord Hunt

Sir, lu your newspaper today (March 11) my friend Dr Charles Warren asks what is the greatest altitude at which a bird has been seen. Since the context of his question was the current correspondence about victims of Everest, it may be of per-sonal interest to your readers if I recall that, while members of the 1953 expedition were on the South Col in 1953 at about 8,000 metres, we were visited by a single chough. doubtless in search of food. I remember that this bird strutted around our tents with his beak wide open, presumably because, like ourselves, he for she for the sexes are identical) was suffering from apoxis.

Sir Edmund Hillary reported having seen a flight of small birds crossing the summit ridge of Everest, at well over 8,500 metres.

JOHN HUNT, Royal Geographical Society. Kensington Gore, SW7.

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## Guidelines on recommending deportation

Regina v Nazari and Others

Guidelines were laid down by the Court of Appeal for courts when making recommendations for deportation under section 6 of the Immigration Act, 1971. The court was giving judgment on appeals against sentence by four immigrants who had been convicted of, or had pleaded guilty to, offences committed in the United Kingdom, and whose sentences included a trecommendation for deportation. recommendation for deportation.

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON. who was sitting with Mr Justice Boreham and Mr Justice Comyn, said that the main submission on behalf of Faziollah Nazari, an Iranhalf of Faziol half of Fazlollah Nazari, an Iranian student sentenced for being
concerned in the fraudulent evasion of the prohibition on importing opium, was that if he were
sent back to fran he might have
to face a court which would have
jurisdiction to pass a death sentence upon him.
Rohan Dissanayake had pleaded
guilty to manslaughter by reason

Rohan Dissanayake had pleaded guilty to manslaughter by reason of diminished responsibility to an indictment charging murder, and had been sentenced to fire years Joseph Fernandez, sentenced to 18 months imprisonment for consultany, was Spanish, but he and his wife had lived in this country for many years. Although his his wife had lived in this country for many years. Although his record was not good, he was not a mainter of the criminal classes, lie was a hard working man. His ten chapter and been born here of I specie Entlish better than schools. The court was satisfied

that if he were deported his wife would face a grave dilemma: whether to follow him to Spain, or remain in England where the children's future looked brighter. The general principle was laid down by Lord Justice Sachs in R v Caird (1970) 54 Cr App Rep 499, 510): ... there was also a recommendation for the court is whether the potential detriment to the court of the appealant.

to this country of {the appellant}' remaining here has been shown to be such as to justify the recom-mendation. [The court] desires to mendation. [The court] desires to emphazise that the courts when considering a recommendation for deportation are normally concerned simply with the crime concerned and the individual's past record and the question as to what is their effect on the question of potential detriment just mentioned."

tioned."

In their Lordships' judgment Parliament intended by section 6(1) and (2) that a proper and full inquiry should take place before a recommendation was made which was likely to result in a deportation order. It would be advisable for judges specifically to invite submissions on the question of deportation where there was the possibility that a recommendation would be made. It was not enough merely to add a sentence to a judgment.

The guidelines the court would

The guidelines the court would give were not rigid rules of law : there might be exceptions depending on the evidence.

Firstly, the court must con-

sider, as was said in Caird's case, whether a recommendation was justified by the potential detriment to the country of the continued presence of an offender. The United Kingdom had no use for criminals of other nations, particularly if they had committed serious crimes, or had long criminal records. The more serious the crime, or the longer the record, the more obvious it was that a recommendation the record, the more obvious it was that a recommendation should be made. On the other hand, a minor offence should not justify a recommendation, for example shoplifting. But, for the purpose of stressing that all the circumstances should be looked at, a series of offences might turn a minor matter into some.

turn a minor matter into some-thing which would justify the making of a recommendation, and even a first offence of shoplifting might justify deportation if a carrying out planned raids on departmental stores. departmental stores.

Secondly, the courts were not concerned with the political systems in operation in other countries. The court had no knowledge of such matters, and it would be wholly undestrable if any court expressed its views of regimes prevaking in other countries. It was for the Home Secretary to decide whether returning an offender to his country of origin would have unduly harsh consequences.

As to Nazari, it might be that the regime in Iran would be unfair to him. Whether that would continue to be so, the court had no

came for him to be released, the court was sure that the Home Secretary would bear in mind the very matters the court was con-cerned should be considered, namely, whether it would be un-duly bassis to send him back to

In the case of a short sentence however, a court might have to make up its mind whether to make make up is mind whether to make a recommendation, and if it were satisfied, on the evidence, that it would be unduly harsh to return an offender to his country of origin, then the court might feel impelled, in fairness to the accused, not to recommend deportant. active, not to recommend depor-tation. That would depend on the evidence and the circumstances. Again, it was not a rigid-rule, but in general, political considerations were inappropriate considerations for the courts.

Finally, it was proper for the court to consider the effect of a recommendation for deportation upon others not before the court. The courts had no wish to break The courts had no wish to break up families or to impose hardships upon those innocent of crimes. The case of Fernandez illustrated that clearly. His wife was a credit to herself and a good cirizen of this country. If her husband were deported, she would have a heart-rending choice to make. In the light of those considerations, the court would quash the recommendation for deportation. The other appeals against the recommendations would be dismissed.

## Law Society indemnity scheme not invalid

Mr James Midwood Swain and Mr Alan Stephen McLaren, two practising solicitors, for any part of any commission received by it or by its subsidiary, Law Society Services Ltd, in respect of premiums paid by individual solicitors pursuant to the scheme. Since the action was not representative, the judge declined to make a declaration that the olicitors Indemnity Rules were condition precedent to practise as a solicitor; but his Lordship ascepted that the drastic nature of the sanction for non-compliance of the sanction precedent to proper exercise of its statutory powers should be an inescapable constitution proper exercise of its statutory powers should be an inescapable of the sanction precedent to make a declaration in respect of the committy Rules were of the sanction proper exercise of its statutory powers should be an inescapable constitution proper exercise of its statutory powers should be an inescapable constitution proper exercise of its statutory powers should be an inescapable constitution proper exercise of its statutory powers should be an inescapable constitution proper exercise of its statutory powers shoul

Patrick Philips for the Law
Society.

HIS LORDSHIP said that until 1975 there was no general insurance scheme for solicitors who ished to obtain indemnity insurance against claims in res-

On December 1, 1975 the council-made the Solicitors Indemnity Rules, 1975, Rule 2 provided that

Swain and Another v Law Society
Before Mr Justice Slade
Section 37 of the Solicitors Act, 1974, empowers the Council of the Law Society to make rules requiring the society to take out and maintain insurance with authorized insurers on behalf of solicitors, and the Solicitors Indemnity Rules, 1975-1979, under which the Solicitors' Indemnity Insurance scheme was introduced, were not invalid.

The society was not bound to accept to withhold a practising for a practising solicitors, for any part of the legislature contemplated that the society, in the society in the society in the solicitors and the solicitors are policy and to insurance applied should pay premiums payable by them under the master policy and certificate of insurance as soon as they fell due. Since September 1, 1976, the society to withhold a practising whom the rules as having become compulsory and had required every solicitor to whom the rules as society had regarded the scheme as having become compulsory and had required every solicitor to whom the rules applied to promite the society to withhold a practising of the society in that he was complying with the rules.

There could be no doubt that the society, in the legislature contemplated that

There had been suggestions on both sides that the society, in entering into an agreement for a master policy, would be doing so as an agent. In his Lordship's judgment it was reasonably clear that the intention of the makers of the rules was that the society should enter into the agreement as trustee, for persons ascertained and unascertained, to require the insurers to provide them with insurance.

insurance.

It had been argued against the Law Society that the proposed master policy as envisaged by the rules did not involve the "taking out" of any insurance within out" of any insurance within the meaning of section 37(2) (b), but that his Lordship rejected. The challenge to the validity of the rules must fail.

As regards the retention by the Law Society Services Ltd of com-

mission there had been a clear majority vote in favour of the insurance scheme, and the society had understood that the proposal that it should take commission had been endorsed.

The plantiffs had not been able to satisfy his Lordship that the society had been acting in breach of the rules, and he therefore had to consider the plaintiffs' submissions on the footing that the rules were valid but that an agent or trustee must account for profit obtained. If the society entered into the contract as trustee, then as soon as the contract had been concluded there

trustee, then as soon as the contract had been concluded there existed a fiduciary relationship between the society and the solicitors. However, proof of a post-contract fiduciary relationship would not itself suffice to emitle the plaintiffs to invoke the equitable principle exemplified in Phipps v Boordman (1967) 2 AC 461. That had not been shown. The society had been able to conclude an advantageous arrangement relating to commission

ment relating to commission because of the negotiation of the original contract with the in-

Furthermore, his Lordship saw no reason for presuming that the legislature contemplated that the society would be negotiating insurance in a fiduciary capacity. Solicitors; Lovell, Son & Pitfield for Pethybridges, Bodmin; Slaughter & May.

## **Fashion**

Prudence Glynn





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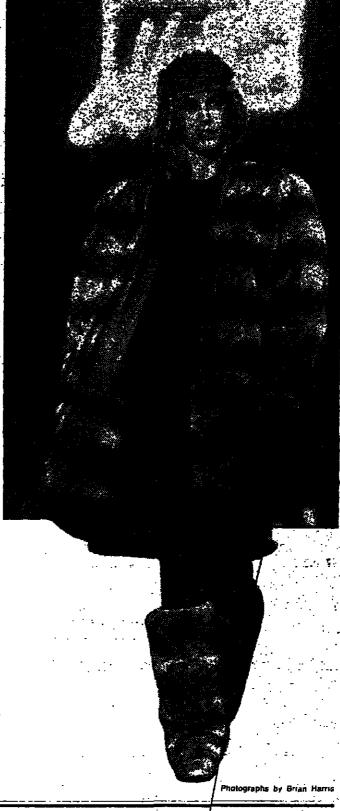
beauty treatment is sleep and

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Janet Reger undies from indeed—the sanctity of the acrylics are those sort of chaste, white and beautiful matwoolly jersey materials. If they erial, thick as a table cloth or are in a jumper, three washes, fine as a stocking, damascened later it will not be the shape it. (that word comes from the swordsmith) declined. In high saggy, and if it is used in that fashion nobody wants to look invaluable "little" day dress, "quite so crushed, three washes later that will be Where has it all gone wrong?

running up your legs and grab. We inherited a magnificent texbing your nether regions in a tile industry through our politilock more suited to Rugby foot cal generosity in granting ball than high fashion. asylum to those with the Polyester, which tries to look intrinsic skills of lace, or of I weaving, or of sewing. We marmore or less all right, except ried this to the brilliance of the that if you have it in your bed technology of the nineteenth century industrial revolution, and even farther back than this. as Samuel Smiles pointed out in Self Help.

Now, all the machinery you see in the great mills abroad seems to be foreign Indeed, nearly burst into tears when Turkey, in an enormous plant, discovered that we are still apparently the only people whe chester) sensationally high speed jacquard looms. But the was several years back. doubt we have lost that marke

Almost all that remains



woollen and cotton", wrote a Courtauld's efforts to re-vimp Mr A. V. Kirwan in 1864. He the ageing image of Courelle ing manufacturers rather you will forgive the pun, Forte, sludents. Not precisely devasat-But it is interesting that in ing by its novelty, but showing a surveying the national scene he igood use of colour and shipe should have so automatically was this winner a neat little T picked nut our textile trade as dress in polo stripes with a ordinated blouson jacket

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thetics are nasty. Rayon The moment he decreed that British industry are their cess. Everyone knows the
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bove all, better designed.

Many of them will be synthetic, but you will be hard put to tell. But they will be foreign. In fact I imagine that most of those materials which get my thimble finger itching in John Lewis are foreign, but since the Partnership has proved disin-clined to tell me anything except what I owe them on my account, I cannot say.

What I can say is that the situation has to be taken in hand or we are simply not going to have a textile industry, and to have a textile industry, and since we have the most expensive and extensive state funded design education system in the world, churning out hundreds of young hopefuls every year, it behoves us to make sure that we do actually have somewhere for them to go. for them to go.

Beginning at the end of that paragraph, it must be said a great deal of the design education offered is incompetent. It is no doubt well-intentioned, but it is just hopelessly impractical. Pretty pictures are one thing, repeats are another. Costs are something else again. I forget how often I have asked a student to tell me the market they are aiming at, and their price point, and been received with a blank stare or even, perish the thought, a ringe of shock at such a wicked capital-

istic attitude. Now, not knowing how many beans make five is quite all right if you can get backing from an imaginative, wealthy company with the resources to treasure your artistic gifts and the sympathetic management to encourage, pet, edit and then market you. The trouble is that such backing, and above all such management are above to such management, are about as rare as hen's teeth. On the one hand, the most talented of our young designers either work abroad, or consign themselves to the potting shed dyeing exquisite single lengths of wondrous stuffs because they cannot bear the frustrations and the lack of recognition afforded by the huge producers. On the other hand, the huge producers look the form of a competition, are themselves the victims of unusually geared towards product the market place. That market the market place. That market place has, in Britain, consist-ently cared more for price than style, thus the chain stores dominate the production line, requiring volume, safety in

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The man in the hot seis without doubt Chris Hogg, newly elevated as man of Courtaulds. Almi the production of this group is made in synt (which they themselves a huge percentage of th put goes into the volume chain store areas. Mr Ho, of a gnarled 43 years c confronted with the close the Belfast plant, a m penetration of the British et by American synthetics fashion swing which says p to easy-care, it's very chic hand laundry on silk, and and corton and wool becauwashing machine is no lon status symbol miracle of sixties and self-sufficiency Laura Ashley sweeping C are what count

Again, an exaggeration. are millions of women bever intend to iron any ever again, and after all taulds is the volume end o market. But you can never regard the young view, the generation of customers. It why Courtaulds have instit a design prize—to my del not for students but for wer houses—to re-vamo the ima Courtelle. They have called: comp Technological Chic, ought to give a good fright the old biddies curre wandering around in the str I sometimes wonder which the more dread name, Cour or Crimpiene?

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#### Forthcoming marriages

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Mr S. J. Cox and Miss J. L. Heath

The engagement is announced between Stephen John, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. C. W. Cox, of Monumeat; The Drive, Belmont, Surrey, and Jane Lindsay, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs E. P. Heath, of Cooks Place, Albury, Surrey

Mr W. Macdonald and Miss T. Cooper

The engagement is announced between Warren Macdonald, of Melbourne, Australia, and Tina Cooper, of Bourton-on-the-Water,

Mr M. A. Mather-Lees and Miss A. S. Gibbs

The engagement is announced between Michael; only son of Mrs M. D. Pescod and stepson of Mr R: F. Pescod, OBE, of Southcote, Canden Road, Brecon, Powys, and Angela, only thoughter of Mrs J. A. Gibbs, of Columbine Cottage, Storridge, Malvern, Worcestershire.

Mr J. P. Nettel and Miss C. G. Mawhood The engagement is announced between Julian, son of Mr and Mrs L. Nottel of Ewell, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Mawhood, of Beaconsfield.

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etween Mr Charles B. Frater, son
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Mitchell Dean, Gloucestershire.

Mr R. Thomas

The marriage took place in High Wyzombe on Mouday, March 17, 1980, between Mr Richard Thomas and Mrs Giorgia Wise, of Marlow-on Thames, widow of Mr Dennis

Paintings quizzed: Kate McConnell, aged 11, from St James's School, Kensington, examining an altarpiece by Filippino Lippi at the National Gallery yesterday in search of the answers for the Jungle Look quiz, a

test of wits, observation and drawing skills, instituted by the gallery. The quiz, which is filled in as children circulate around many of the paintings, is for those aged 8 to 14 and closes on April 20.

#### Commonwealth airmen | Receptions to be remembered

Commonwealth airmen who have no known graves will be remem-bered at the annual commemorabered at the annual commemorative service at the Runnymede memorial, on the Thames, on May 11; at 11. Next of kin und relatives of the airmen whose names are engraved on the memorial are invited to apply to the Ministry of Defence, Air Force Board Secretariat, Room 3245, Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB, for a copy of the order of ceremony.

Meeting

Royal Over-Seas League
Mr Kenneth Thompson, chairman,
executive committee, Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind,
was the guest speaker at last
night's meeting of the Royal OverSeas League discussion circle at
Over-Seas House, St James's. Mrs
E, Cresswell was in the chair.

#### Architecture report

#### Individuality of theatre on by-pass site

By Charles McKean
The new Wolsey Theatre in Ipswich, as Michelin might say, is worth as Michelin might say, is morth as more of the spearance of the building on the inner by-pass dual carriage-way. For Ipswich has been rather badly treated in the past, as Indeed a glimpse of this particular dual carriageway and some of the buildings facing it will testify. It is to be hooped, therefore, that the town's inhabitants realize how incley they are in having two modern buildings of national stature: the Willis & Faber building by Foster Associates, and, just the road, this new theatre by Roderich Ham and Finch.

The task was simple: to construct a permanent home for the Ipswich theatre (imili receptly housed in a lecture hall) on a site earmaned for a theatre in 1951 as part of the civic centre development, but with 1976 cost limits: cost limits that would not, probably, allow for additional sealing wax and string to put the building together with.

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The Wolsey Theatre is a fine, soft-red brick building with deeply overthanging caves and a maltings-style plant room on top. The The Rev K. W. T. Johnson, Vicar of Erith, diocese of Rochaster, to be Vicar of 5 John the Evangelist, Berley, same diocese.

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The Rev J. S. Savige, Rector of Harby to be also acting Rural Dean of Framiand. Same, diocese.

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The Rev R. 1. Smith, team vicar of East Earn. diocese of Chelmsford, to be Rector of Crock. diocese of the Dunband.

The theatre has all manner of virues: making a lot our of a little; excellent use of colour; double use of components; consistency of style and pleasing looks. Moreover it manages to establish its individuality on its by-pass of the art that is no mean feat.

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Resignations
The Archdeacon of Marchester, the Ven A. Ballard, refires at the end of September. He will have spent 37 years of a 41-year ministry in the Manchester diocese. Other resignations include:
The Rev. E. A. Dron, vicar of Asingham. Frampion-on-Severn with whitministr. diocese of Gloucester. April 30.

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The Rev F. Nash. Rectar of Dymock with Donnington and Rempley.

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The Prime Minister and Mr Denis
Thatcher were hosts at a reception
held at 10 Downing Street vesserday evening in honour of delegates
from overseas branches of the
Commonwealth Parliamentary
Association attending the twentyninth Parliamentary Seminar,
1980, Others present included Lord
Home of the Hirsel, Sir Harold
Wilson, MP, members of HM Government, other members of both
Houses of Parliament, members of
the United Kingdom Branch and
Headquarters Secretariat of the
Commonwealth Parliamentary
Association and representatives of
the Foreign and Commonwealth
Office and other government departments.

Arab-British Chamber of Commerce The Arab-British Chamber of Commerce held a reception at the Dorchester hotel vesterday to cele-Dorchester hotel yesterday to cele-brate the lifth anniversary of the foundation of the Arab British Chamber of Commerce. Guests were received by the chairman of the chamber's board, Sir Richard Beaumont, and the secretary-general of the chamber, Mr Abdul Karim Al-Mudaris. Among the guests were ambassadors of Arab countries, senior officials of the British Government, members of Parliament. Arab and British British Government, members of Parliament, Arab and British directors of the chamber (including presidents and other representatives of Arab chambers of commerce), members of the chamber and other leading Arab and Parlish businessmen British businessmen.

Luncheons

Royal College of Surgeons of Sir Reginald Murley, President of the Royal College of Surgeous of England, yesterday cancrained at luncheon at the college Sir Denis Wright, Mr P. P. Dunkley, Mr J. Michael Pickard and Mr. H. H. G.

#### Fine sealed move win

by Korchnoi From Harry Golombek

Velden am Wörtersee, March 17 A positive result has come at last in the quarter-final match in the candidates series at Velden. After four successive draws Viktor Korchaoi scored an emphatic win in the fifth game

against Tigran Petrosian, the former world champion, and now leads by 3 to 2. If he makes a level score in the next five games he will win the match and qualify to meet either Tal or Polugaievsky in the semi-

final.

Two adjourned games were played today. The first was the fourth match game in which Korchnoi had emerged from a losing position two days ago to bring about a probably drawn

bring about a providing traward game.

In fact, the players took only 10 minutes to play five more moves and the fourth game was agreed a draw at the suggestion of Petrosian on the forty-fifth move. Petrosian made a gesture with his hands and fingers indicating a draw and Korchnoi, who objects to exchanging words with his opponent, apparently is prepared to accept signs. pared to accept signs.

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After a nair-nour interval circlish game was resumed. Yester-day Korchnol had got into serious trouble with the white pieces and seemed to have a lost game for some time. But Petrosian, who does not seem too sure of himself here after nigoting were well for here, after playing very well for some time made a series of inferior moves in the last hour

of the session.

Korchnol took more than 20 minutes, to seal his adjourned move and when play was resumed today it was seen that he had scaled a very fine wanting move. That move won the queen by force and after another five moves perrosian resigned the hopeless position on the forty-sixth move.

Tomorrow the sixth game is due to be played and Petrosian will have the white pieces. It would not be surprising, however, it he postpones play for another day.

Old Bedford Modernians' Club

The annual London luncheon of the Old Bedford Modernians' Club or Commons. Mr P. J. King, president, was in the chair and the guest of honour was the Headmaster of Bedford Modern School, Mr P. J. Squire. Other guests included Mr H. K. Speed, Parliaments and Market Science of School, Mr P. J. Squire. mentary Under-Secretary of State for the Royal Navy, Ministry of Defence,

#### Dinners Earl of Minto

The Earl of Minto entertained hir G. M. Thur, chairman, Office of Transportation Programmes, Department of Energy, United States of America, at dinner in the House of Lords yesterday. Other guests were:

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Mr R. Asshey, Mr C. G. Cardwell, Mr R. P. Craig, and Mr D. H. Jacobson; Viscouri, trenchard, Vircouri, Long, Lon

Sir Graham and Lady Rowlandson gave a dinner party yesterday at 18 Grosvenor Square in honour of the High Commissioner for Lesotho and Mrs Molapo. Others present included :

The High Commissioner for St Lucia and St Vincent and the Grenadines, the Ambassador of Liberta Lord Cottesfore, Lord and Lady Brimelow, Lody Norton, and Mr Enoch Powell, MP and Mrs Powell.

#### Science report

#### Weather: Effect on crop yields

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

Two different examinations of weather patterns over the British Isles have focused attention on the wolnerability of agriculture both to long, slow changes in the climate and to shorter dramatic enignies.

episodes.

The impact of the first type of phenomenon is disclosed in the way sugar beet yields showed a rising trend throughout the 1960s to reach a peak in 1971. Since then sugar beet yields have approached the yields of the late 1960s in only one year.

That pattern of crop production related to seasonal rainfall, sunshine, evaporation and conditions ripe for the spread of plant disease, according to a report of Dr R. P. Scammell of the Chmatic Research Unit, University

Today's engagements

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother

attends annual general meeting of Queen Mary's London Needle-work Gulid, St James's Palace,

3.25.
Princess Margaret, as Colonel-inChief, visits The Royal Highland
Fusiliers and 15th/19th The
King's Royal Hussars in West
Germany.
The Duke and Duchess of Kent
attend concert in aid of Birthright, Royal College of Obstetri-

was first suggested that a drought of that severity in the United Kingdom could happen only once cians and Gynaecologists, 27 Sussex Place, Regent's Park, 7.45. The Queen holds investiture. Buckingham Palace, 11.
The Duke of Edinburgh, as chancellor, visits Salford University, 10.15, and attends annual court meeting, 11.15; as president of the National Playing Fields Association, the duke visits Moss Side People's Centre, 2.30; visits factories at Oldham, 3.25; attends annual dinner of Manchester branch of British Institute of Management, Manchester town hall, 7.30.

Oueen Elizabeth the Queen Mother

-Lunchtime music: Simon Lole, organ, St Peter-upon-Cornhill, 12:30; City Music Society, Endellion String Quartet, Bish-opsgate Hall, 1.05.

Memorial services: the Hon Michael Astor, St James's, Piccadilly, noon; Sir Edwin Citapman Andrews, crypt of St Paui's Cathedral, noon; Sir Lance Mallalicu, St Margaret's, Westminster, noon.

#### University news Bath

Wallson Foundation E127.000 to Dr. S. L. Hurst for escent into custom section of Elements of Processes in the manufacture of pharmacontical raw materials.

7.45.
Exhibitions: The Vikings, British Museum, 10 to 5; "Here be dragons". British Library galleries, Great Russell Street, Bloomsbury, 10 to 5.
Talks: "The self-portrait, from Botticelli to Manet", by Audrey Tyndall, National Gallery, 1; "The furniture of the staties", by Lella Meinertas Victoria and

by Lella Meinertas, Victoria and Albert Museum, 1.15. Derek Stanford reads poems, National Poetry Centre, 21 Earls Court Square, 7.30. Lunchtime music: Simon Lole,

Science Research Council: E51.270 to M. G. Phillips for retearch into lougheating of slass fibre-polyester composite naterials: £148.000 to Professor H. O. Berklay. Dr G. L. Cloet. Dr S. C. Hursi P. J. Wingham and Dr J. F. Henderson for research into seabed Dr C. Rochester has been appoin-

christie's yesterday also held a minor Nouveau and Deco auction, totalling 554,730 with 16 per cent unsold. The top prices were among the glass, with an Argy Rousseau pote-de verre oviform vase decorated with a dancing girl selling for 52,300 (estimate 5400 to 5500).

There was also as unusual

Albert Armand Rateau, which made 157,000 francs (£16,600). A sinuous Art Nouveau carved wood

chimney piece attributed to Hugnet, the nymphs learning over the chimney, made 125,000 francs (£13,214) and the same price was

paid for a Majorelle bookcase.

watercolours last year ran into difficulties, with a marked lack of bryers. Demand at yesterday's sale was noticeably stronger, especially for decorative items. An interesting architectural drawing, "The front elevation of Salte's House. Tottenham". by Rumphrey Repton and dating from 1807. sold for 5630, having been left unsold at half that price in a Phillips sale last November.

The top price in yesterday's sale was £3,200 (estimate £1,000 to £1,500), paid by Marron for a pencil landscape with two figures by Gainsborough. The auction totalled £53,655, with 17 per cent unsold, a percentage reflecting a number of relatively minor items put in by trade sellers with high reserves.

A sale of Art Nouveau and Art Deco at Enginen, in France, on Sunday included a low table in broaze supported by four long-tailed birds, a signed piece by

selling for £2,300 (estimate £400' to 5500).

There was also an unusual section of modern artist potters' work. A stoneware Circular dish by Shoff Hamada with some lustre-brown brushstroke decoration was sold to lan Bennett at £1,500 (estimate £1,000 to £1,500) A mixed sale of printed books at Sotheby's made £33,905, with 1 per cent unsold. As usual, the top prices were paid for colour-plate books, with 20 volumes of The Botamical Cabinet, dating between 1818 and 1833, feething £3,600 (estimate £1,000 to £2,000).

One lot of French interest took of sileries historiques de Versailles, the sirvolume supplement to this work and four volumes of the Galeries historic de France. They all date to between 1830 and 1838.

A.B.C. Travel Guides Ltd., Old-hill, London Road, Dunstable, Bedfordshire, II.40 (post free).

Latest pamphlets

By Geraldine Norman

Sale Room Correspondent

The extent to which auction prices are a matter of luck was underlined by a Constable drawing which came up at Phillips yesterday for the second time in 12 months. It is a head and shoulders portrait of a pretty woman, a peticil sketch measuring 19 cm by 14.5 cm, and sold for £1.250 yesterday. In a sale at Phillips auction rooms in Knowle last July it fetched £490.

Many sales of drawings and watercolours last year ran into difficulties, with a marked lack of buyers. Demand at yesterday's sale was nonceably stronger, especially for decorative items. An interesting architectural drawing, "The

## Historic Spanish influence on craft of brickmaking open to the public, and Ugbrooke in Deron, the first castle-style house built by Robert Adam, are among the 39 new entries. A useful new section lists a selection of redundant churches rescued and administered by the Redundant Churches Fund. A R.C. Transl. Crides Ltd. Old.

jumps £760 in year

Brickmaking: a history and gazetteer. By Alan Cox. The forest of rall chimney stacks that the traveller on the M1 observes marks traveller on the M1 observes marks out Bedfordshire as a great centre of the brickmaking industry. In this fascinating and well documented study, part of the official survey of the county, Alan Cox has traced brickmaking from its origins to the present day, sering local activities against the national background.

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Traditionally brickmaking has had a strong immigrant workforce. As far back as Tudor times there were Spanish influences in some of the techniques of kiin and oven making. Mr Cox speculates on whether Renry VIII's first wife, Katharine of Aragon, who stayed in the county during divorce proceedings and later lived in exile not far away, might thus have had a connexion with the unfeminine craft of brickmaking as well as her traditional founding association with the local lace industry.

The author also describes, among other things, the different types of kiln, machinery, methods of clay extraction and mamfacture. The valuable gazetteer lists 180 sites in the county with historical details.

lists 180 sites in the county with historical details. Bedjordshire County Council Planning Department, County Hall, Bedjord. 12 (postage 40p). Historic Houses, Castles and Gardens in Great Britain and Ireland. The latest edition of this guide, invaluable for the historic house enthusiast, contains all the relevant details of more than

nouse entinessat, contains an increasant details of more than 1,100 properties open to the public and listed under their respective counties. Mentmore Towers in Buckinghamshire, now

buil, London Road, Dunstante, Bedfordshire, 11.40 (post free). Back of Reyond: Life in Holderness before the First World War. By Alice M. Markham. The title of this book is taken from an old Yorkshire phrase to describe a remore area: it is an appropriate title, for it was in just such a place, an isolated farm on Humberside where her father was foreman, that the author spent her childhood and youth during the first quarter of the present century. Hers is a straightforward but vivid account of life there, the dictatorial father, the three-mile walk to school where a sadistic head ruled supreme, the drudgery of helping to prepare meals for the farm workers as well as the large family, the simple pleasures of a life of self-help leisure activities, and the joy of a trip to the nearest village or city to visit shops and relations.

It was a harsh but, from this account, supremely happy existence.

account, supremely bappy exist-ence. The author's son. John Markham, a noted local historian, has set his mother's nostalgic remuniscences in their wider perspective.
Lockington Publishing Co, The Studio, Railway Station, North Ferriby, North Humberside £1.80 (postage 21p).

Cyril Bainbridge

Appointments in the Forces

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impact on various communities throughout the country. It is believed to be the first time that an attempt has been made to produce in atlas form a survey of a complete country and the effect on it of a specific environmental hazard. Although it was first supposted that a descript

of East Anglia. Very low yields in 1974, 1975 and 1976 resulted from a high incidence of disease and drought in 1975, and severe drought in 1975.

The second item is the Allas of Drought in Britain, 1975-76, prepared by the Cartographic Unit of Southampton University and princed by Ordnance Survey. That publication examines the cause of the drought, its character and impact out various communities

severy 1,000 years, it is now recognized that some of the effect out occur much more frequently. Therefore the records and maps show the effect on river levels, crop yields, incidence of outdoor fires, areas of local seismic disturbance and many other factors associated with the pattern of reinfall, evaporation and soil in their analysis of events, Professor K. J. Gregory, of Southampton, and Dr. J. C.

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In their analysis of events, Professor K. J. Gregory, of Southampton, and Dr J. C. Doornkamp, Nottingham University, believe the survey should be invaluable for long-term planning. planning.
Climatic Research Unit: Eighth
Annual Report, 1978-79; Atlas of
Drought in Britain, 1975-76 (Institute of British Geographers).

25 years ago

From The Times of Friday, March 18, 1955 Yalta papers The American Government's

publication of the great mass of papers on the Yalta conference is a bungled and unhappy affair. An historical record has been flung out at the wrong time, in the wrong way and for the wrong motives. Sir Winston Churchill has already noticed some inaccuracies. Why was it done? For months the Administration has been under pressure from members of its own Republican party who wished to discredit the late who wished to discredit the late President Roosevelt and, through him, Democrat policy in general. Their line is that Mr Roosevelt was disastrously soft with Stalin at Yalin giving way to him in eastern Europe and bribing him quite unnecessarily to enter the war against Japan. To meet them and to foster the campaign the Administration gave cooless the Administration gave copies of the whole record of the con-ference, amounting to half a

million words, to senators. When the inevitable leaks occurred Washington publicly released the lot. Those who sought to make mischief had won.

#### Constable sketch price OBITUARY SIR CYRIL HARRISON Influence in textile industry

Sir Cyril Harrison, who was chairman of the English Sewing Conton Company Ltd, from 1963 to 1968, died on March 14 at the age of 78. He was an influential figure in the British textile industry at a difficult time, and was also a past president of the Federation of Brit-

ish Industries.
Cyril Ernest Harrison was born on December 14, 1961, the son of A. J. Harrison, MIGase, a gas engineer, and educated at Burnley Grammar School. He left school at 16 to learn weaving in a local mill. Later he moved to Manchester where he entered the cloth business and at the age of 27 set up on his own as a merchant. The reputation he gained in this sphere earned him an invitation to join English Sewing Cotton as manager of the yarn sale department. He became managing director in 1948, Vice-Chairman in 1952 and was appointed chairman in 1963.

chairman in 1963.

This was a particularly difficult period for the textile industry and his appointment as President of the Federation of British Industries in 1951 was something of a compliment to the way in which he had maintained the commercial health of ESC at that time. As president of the FBI he was tireless in his criticism of the amateurin his criticism of the amateur-ish, fragmented nature of organization of British employ-ers' bodies and particularly castigated what he saw as a lack of awareness in industry of the necessity to think jointly of commercial functions and

labour relations.

A well known figure throughour the Northwest, Harrison was a past president of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, and of the Cotton, Silk and Man-made Fibres Research Association. He was a member of the Court of Governoss of Manchester Livinger and manchester of the court of Governoss of Manchester Livinger and manchester of the court of Governoss of Manchester Livinger and manchester of the court of Governoss of Manchester Livinger and manchester of the court of Governoss of Manchester Livinger and manchester of the court of the co

Manchester University and was a member of the Grand Council of the CBI.

He was made an Hon MA of Victoria University, Manchester, in 1961 and was knighted in 1963. He married, in 1927, Ethel, daughter of Edward Wood, FCA, JP. She died in 1971.

#### PERCY BELCHER

They had two sous.

Tony Van den Bergh writes: year, Percy Belcher, the former secretary of the Tobacco Wor-kers' Union, was buried at Reading, the town where earlier in his career he had been a

Labour councillor for over fourteen years, taking an especial interest in housing.

Mr Belcher's death, only a year after that of Betty Harris son his assistant general secre-tary, will seem strangely apt both to members of the union and to employers in the cigarette industry, for they were a formidable partnership. Betty Harrison was the intellectual. She provided the theories and statistics on which the union's cases would be based, leaving Percy Beicher breathe emotion and force into was undeviating once they had decided what road to follow: Percy would sometimes infuriate her by switching the direc-tion of their attack because of his instinctive reaction to the

employers' reply.

Percy Belcher was a remarkable character of widely differing interests. Thus he was able to reconcile his membership of the Communist Party with becoming a Methodist lay preacher. Although he was a pacifist—indeed, he was awar-ded the Joliot Curie Peace prize in 1964 for his work for peace—and leader of the first strike to be fought in the Second World War, few of his detractors were aware that in the First World War, he had not only enlisted under age in the Royal Navy, but been mon-tioned in dispatches for his gallantry, when only 16, during

the action at Zeebrugge.
Though he fought relentiessly in the interests of his members and, on occasion, would make bitter attacks upon the em-ployers when he considered them insensitive of their employees needs, he never har-boured grudges and would, always interpret agreements inthe spirit rather than arguing legal refinements. He was an extremely warm

person and would offer genuine; and lasting friendship to those. he liked and respected, even whilst disagreeing vigorously with their opinions or politics. Indeed, on my leaving the tobacco industry, in spite of my having negotiated against him for over twelve years, he immediately invited me not only to join his union, but to become a member of the delegation which was travelling through the Eastern block to report upon trade union developerates in those countries. Percy Belcher was an official of the National Union of Rail-

waymen when he was appointed an assistant organappointed an assistant organizer for the Tobacco Workers Union, in 1938. Three years later he became general secretary, a post he held until his retirement in 1964. Despite many years of ill-health, several heavy stacks, and innumerable heart-attacks and innumerable car accidents, he retained a keen interest in what was happening in the whole field of industrial relations.

#### MR RAFAEL **PAASIO**

Mr Rafael Paasio, who was Prime Minister of Finland from 1966 to 1968 and from Pebruary to September 1972, died vester-day at the age of 76. He had been president of the Social Democratic Party from 1953 to 1975 and was a former Speaker of the Finnish Parliament. He had previously been a typo-grapher and editor of a Social Democrat newspaper. EDITERS
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Stock Exchange Prices

## Nervous selling

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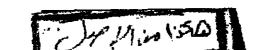
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## Exports top £4,000m as trade deficit falls by nearly £100m

By David Blake Economics Editor

Britain bad a trade deficit of £226m in February, nearly £100m better than in January as the volume of exports in-creased. But despite the huge benefit to the balance of pay-ments from North Sea oil, the United Kingdom still looks likely to run a deficit of around £2,000m on its current account

February's deficit on visible trade was only partly covered by a surplus on invisibles which by a surplus on invisibles which include shipping, insurance and government transactions. The latest estimate suggests a surplus on invisibles of around 250m a month, which would reduce the current account deficit for Exhaust account deficit

The latest overall figures which include exports at £4,133m, the first time they have topped £4,000m, probably understate the improvement which has been occurring in the overall trading performance. Trade in "erratic" items, such as precious stones, silver and other goods whose movement in trade is unpredictable, worsened

If these erratic items are excluded, a reasonably cheerhand, the volume of exports rose by 21 per cent.

Like all economic statistics these figures have to be treated with particular caution for the period in question. During the latest three months, exports of engineering goods have been buoyant as industry recovered from the effects of the long engineering strike in the

by the engineering strike had come to an end and the steel dispute had not started to make a serious impact. Figures for March may show a less

cheerful picture. Most countries in the western world are recording large deficits because of the cost of imported oil. The latest figures underline the extent to which the United Kingdom has been cushioned from that problem, with a deficit on oil of only \$52m in February.

But oil had an adverse effect on one aspect of the external position, causing the terms of trade to fall slightly in February. The higher cost of rebruary the lighter cost of silver imports also damaged these. The unit value of im-ports rose more sharply than the value of exports.

In spite of the fact that the price which we receive for our exports went up less than the price we pay for our imports, the actual value of exports went up considerably more than did imports. There was a share inimports. There was a sharp in-crease in the volume of manufactured exports with little increase in the volume of manufactured imports in Feb-

ruary.
Prospects for our trading performance are likely to be under conflicting pressures in the months ahead. The gener-ally expected slowdown in the United Kingdom economy will cut back demand for imported goods, particularly since it is widely expected that stocks will be run down sharply because of high interest levels.

Importers traditionally keep quite large stocks because they cannot rely on immediate pro-duction to meet demand. The United Kingdom economy tends to cut demand for imports ouite sharply as it moves into recession, just as it increases imports at the first sign of a

But the increasing problems for industry of an overvalued pound are likely to make it more difficult to export over the year ahead and will do nothing to limit imports. Even if sterling fell sharply, it would be many months before this was reflected in an improve-ment in trading performance.

## W German challenge

American nylon carpet yarn into Brimin. Dr Otto Graf Lambsdorff, the West German Economics Minister, is expected to raise the matter at a meeting of EEC Trade Ministers in Brussels tomorrow.

While Bonn accepts the need for controls on imports into Brittin of polyester filament yards, the Germans appear to believe that a contraction in the size of the British nylon carpet yarn market in recent months has exaggerated the scale of American import penetration.

Dr Lambsdorff is expected to argue against the Commission's decision of February 15 which limited American imports to the average of the level of imports in the second half of 1979. It is thought that in raising the matter tomorrow Germany wants to demonstrate that it will only go so far in sanctionwill only go so far in santtoining protectionist measures in the BEC. The move is being interpreted as a warning to Germany's Community partners and as a plea to the American Administration not to take steps that could start a trade war across the Atlantic.

As a result of the German As a result of the German move, the Commission measures protecting the British nylon carper yard industry will now have to be approved by a two-thirds unjority in the EEC Council of Ministers. Unless this is forthcoming in the

on nylon yarn imports

From Peter Norman

Brussels, March 17

West Germany intends to challenge last month's decision by the European Commission to limit imports of cheap American nylon carpet yarn into Britain. Dr Otto Graf Lambsdorff, the West German

Lambsdorff, the West German vention for the time being to demanding a new Commission study

Viscount Davignon, EEC Commissioner for Industry, is meeting union officials in Brussels tomorrow to discuss the "serious recession" in the man-made fibres industry. man-made fibres industry.

Mr David Warburton, national industrial officer of the General and Municipal Workers Union and secretary of the United Kingdom Chemical Unions Council, commented: "We are not satisfied that the EEC has raken enough measures to pro-tect the fibres industry.

"Our Government has been

allowed to impost import quotas during 1980 but these are insufficient."

### 23 points down after Carter plan

From Frank Vogl
Washington, Morch 17
President Carter's new antiinflation programme was
greeted with jeers, not cheers,
on Wall Street today. Share prices started to slide and the Dow lones industrial average

Interest rates started to move up and Morgan Guaranty Trust announced that it is raising the

Associates said, and he claimed that the actions would actually add to inflation, out curb it.

Matters are not being helped by talk on Capitol Hill today of using the \$10.000m (£4.587m) energy tax increases of insome a pound of insome to finance a round of income tax cuts. Such action would merely darken the prospects of a balanced budget.

yesterday to President Carter's anti-inflation package.

man of the investment policy committee at Goldman Sachs and Company, said the markets had expected a tougher package of action after all the leaks on probable measures in recent weeks. There had been expectations of some surprise measures, but "the package con-

out the new Fed actions.

or two months and the consumer price data would only start to show some improvement in May after the latest high mortgage rate rises had worked their way fully into the statis-SDR: The SDR against the dollar was 1.26668 and against sterling was 0.584532.

## Mr Borrie will use new powers to investigate makers' refusals to supply discount chains

Commercial Editor

Mr Gordon Borric, the director general of fair trading is mounting a fresh investigation into retail accusations of refusals by some manufacturers to supply goods in anticipation of his increased powers when the Competition Bill becomes law later this month.

A specialist team from A specialist team from the office of Fair Trading (OFT) initially is to meet on Thursday Mr Tom McAuliffe, chief executive of the Argos catalogue showroom chain, which is part of BAT. They will look again at complaints by Argos, made to the OFT at the end of last year, about refusal to supply by more than 30 manufacturers and other suppliers.

Because of constrictions of present resale prices legislation at the time. Mr Borrie was able to act in the case of only one supplier who subsequently offered pers' equipment to Argos. But the OFT has asked for a further meeting with

By Bryan Appleyard

in Lonrho.

Mr Graham Lacey and Gulf Fisheries have broken off talks over Gulf's 19 per cent stake

In a brief stanement last night the two sides said they

had met for further discussions but had decided to end talks

about Lonrho, Negotiations are

to continue about other pos-sible areas of cooperation.

The announcement puts an

end to weeks of speculation that a full-scale bid worth per-haps £300m for the whole of

Lourho, at present capitalized at £200m, was on the way. On being told the news, Mr

Paul Spizer, a Lourho director, said: "We guessed as much. We did not think that Lacey had the muscle and we did not

think that the Arabs would

could raise the money for the stake, worth around £40m.

gether a full-scale consortium

bid for the whole of Loncho. Simultaneously Mr Roland

his voting interest to 15 per

On Friday at the annual meeting an attempt by Gulf to

prevent the board creating 40 million new shares was defeated

as was Gulf's bid to prevent the

board from buying out 50 per

cent of the Nyaschere copper

mine in Rhodesia which was controlled by Mr Rowland. The failure of the talks now raises the question of what Gulf

will do with its 19 per cent

holding. Ferguson bid: Bernard Wardle,

the plastics group which has recommended acceptance of the

3p a share bid from Mr

Graham Lacey's Ferguson In-

vestments, has written to the

Stock Exchange requesting an investigation into dealings in

the company's shares between January 25 and 29.

News that Mr Lacey and the

come across."

American company.

Argos to explore what action legislation widens Mr Borrie's may be possible under the new competition legislation which act, the strategy behind its will allow Mr Borrie to act on an anti-competitive practice.

Mr Barrie has been accumu-

After the Argos talks the OFT is expected to widen its

lating a file on manufacturers and suppliers which have allegedly been enforcing miniallegedly been entorcing min-mum pricing structures by refusing to supply discount retailers. A complaint by Tesco Stores against a British manu-facturer for refusing to supply colour television sets and audio equipment is among those on

inquiries to a number of the other retailers which have filed other retailers which have filed complaints including Tesco. They involve watches, many consumer electronic products, cosmetics, bicycles, sports goods, china and glassware, photographic equipment and various household goods including the sports of the s ing some consumer durables in the "white goods" sector.

powers to investigate and to act, the strategy behind its drafting presents initial problems for the OFT. The legislation is deliberately not specific in identifying particular pracrices as anti-competitive so that Mr Borrie has the greatest flexibility of action.

But this leaves Mr Borrie and his team with an often com-plex job of deciding in detail on specific practices, a task which will only become less difficult when a "case law"

One of the factors which will have to be weighed in dealing with refusals to supply are fears by some manufacturers that if discounting goes too far the consumer may suffer be-cause of a deterioration of after-sales service.

Traditional independent retailers which often make a main point of after-sales service could be threatened by he "white goods" sector. count trading, the manufac- intern Although the new competition turers believe. Discount re- talks.

tailers, on the other hand, have argued that they maintain an adequate after-sales service, If the OFT decides same of

the complaints indicate an anticompetitive practice, Mr Borrie could ask the Monopolies and Mergers Commission to investigate the actions of individual companies. But the threat of such action may bring some early improvement for retailers on supplies.

Although Argos has so far been offered definite supplies by only one other manufacturer -of extractor fans-it is having talks about possible supplies with 15 of the suppliers about whom complaints went to the OFT. Items involved cover consumer electronic goods and sports equipment to power tools, pottery and china and fishing

But seven watch manufac-

turers are still not prograted to

enter into negotiations, accord-

ing to Argos, elthough one

international maker has started

cit for February to £176m.

In January, a £321m deficit on visible trade was reduced to a current account deficit of £271m because of a surplus on invisibles. This account has de-teriorated sharply in recent years because of Britain's con-tributions to the EEC budger.

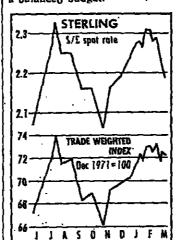
by £265in in February. The boom in the price of silver, which is now unwinding, was responsible for much of this.

ful picture of trade performance in recent months seems to emerge. The volume of imports excluding erratic items rose by only half a per cent in the three months to the end of February compared with the previous three mouths. On the other

## Wall Street

fell 23.04 points, the worst oneday fall since last October, and its lowest level since December

rate it charges securities brokers from 17½ per cent to 18½ per cent. New prime rate increases seem certain shortly. Business economists were equally negative about the President's measures. Some ex-peris complained the puckage was too weak and amounted to too little, too late. "I would go even further". Mr Leon Taub of Chase Econometrics



the pound reacted

Mr Steve Einhorn, vice-chair-

rained no surprises".
Numerous brokers said that they were disappointed that the President did not make bigger spending cuts. "The actions will not really dampen inflationary expectations", one said.
Mr Einhorn said that the
bond markets vere poised for a technical rally, but he added that he was far from confident

He said that the new Federal Reserve measures would add to bank costs and lead to a higher prime lending rate. Short-term rates would now go at least 0.5 to one per cent higher than would have been the case with-

Mr Taub said that the energy tax would just add to inflationary pressures in the short term and it would have been far better if the President had made bigger spending cuts and con-centrated more on action to dampen inflation this year.

Inflation would continue at a very high level for the next one

#### Lacey talks Lloyd's considering on Lonrho Sasse compromise break down

By Richard Allen Insurance Correspondent

Lloyd's of London has suggested it might be prepared to help members of the stricken Sasse underwriting syndicates in meeting losses of over £20m.

But Mr Peter Green, the Lloyd's chairman said yester-day that the committee would be prepared to discuss a finan-cial compromise only if legal actions started by 47 of the syndicate's 110 members were

Mr Green said if the plain-tiffs were prepared to accept that their allegations against "Lloyd's were groundless,
"Lloyd's might be amenable to
some sort of financial compromise". He added that talks could not possibly start if litigation was continuing.

Kuwait-based Gulf were in talks filtered out in January. By the end of the month it A spokesman for one of the two groups of Sasse members which are separately suing Lloyd's and disputing liabililooked as though the deal had been clinched with Mr Lacey ties for syndicate losses later said that members would not ready to buy the stake via an said that members would not even consider dropping their action on the faint promise of partial financial help. However, it is thought that all parties have become acutely aware of the huge financial costs which could ultimately Mr Latey subsequently had meetings with Shaikh Nasser Sabah al Ahmed of Gulf and the Kuwaitis professed themselves satisfied that Mr Latey be incurred as a result of the But last month delays began and it became clear that the

litigation. Meanwhile, on the same day Lloyd's filed its defence to the original court action by Sasse members, Mr Green took the unusual step of writing to forms a substantial part of all 18,500 underwriting mem- Lloyd's business.

"Tiny" Rowland. Lonrho chief executive, spent £340,000 on increasing his personal stake in the company. This was followed last week by another share purchase worth £550,000 to bring interest to 15 per In his letter, he stresses that all valid claims on policies underwriter has even thought underwritten by Sasse have basis that the practice is inbeen or will be settled in full

whatever the outcome of liti

Referring to allegations that some or all the risks that led to the Sasse losses should never have been accepted if Lloyd's and other defendants had per-formed their duties properly, he Lloyd's is under a duty to select, supervise, control and regulate the underwriting agents and the conduct by them of their agencies in a proper manner. Lloyd's does not supervise the underwriting decisions of agents nor has it ever purported to

"The fortunes of a member must inevitably reflect the skills and fortune of the under-writing agent he selects."

Mr Green says the claim that Lloyd's neglected its duties in the supervision of policies underwritten by members reflects a misunderstanding of the re-lationship between the market and its members. (Much of the Sasse litigation turns on the acceptance by the syndicate of bad risks and sometimes dubious business written out-side the market under a system of binding authorities, and claims by members that this should have been more closely vetted by market authorities.)

Referring to the binding authority system under which a "cover holder" can underwrite business on behalf of a Lloyd's syndicate, Mr Green says this has been market practice for at least 50 years, and

#### Changes at British Shipbuilders

By Peter Hill Industrial Editor

The Government will today announce an expension to the term of office of Admiral Sir Anthony Griffin, chairman of British Shipbuilders, and the reappointment for a further period of Mr Kenneth Griffin, one of the corporation's deputy chairmen. A further announce-ment on the future of Mr Michael Casey, the chief execu-tive is expected in the next few

There is speculation that Mr Casey, formerly under secretary in charge of shipbuilding policy, who joined the state corporation on secondment from the Department of Industry, will not continue after his present contract expires in May.

A number of other civil servants have been on secondment to the state shipbuilding cor-

poration and all have returned to the Ci-il Service. The three-month extension

The three-month extension to Sir Anthony's contract arises from the difficulty which Whitehall has bad in finding a successor willing to take on the £44.000 a year job.

It is understood that Whitehall has now narrowed down the original list and a further announcement of a new full time chairman is expected before Sir Anthony's contract

extension expires. Mr Griffin, a former official Trades Union was one of Whitehall's union advisers before being appointed to the organizing committee for BS before nationalization. Along with Mr J. Graham Day, the present chairman and former chief executive, he was responsible for setting up the group when it came under state control.

#### UK maker's drive to promote unique transmission

#### Geared up for automatic success

Learnington-based motor com-ponent manufacturer, has develponent manufacturer, has developed an automatic gearbox which could solve one of the car industry's pressing problems—how to provide the benefits of automatic driving without the penalties of higher fuel consumption and dearer purchase

companies, and the reason it is attracting wide interest is that it can be produced on machinery used to make manual gearboxes. The key to this long awaited breakthrough " is a design which permits a manual gearbox to be converted to automatic with the addition of a second clutch and micro-elec-

tronic controls.

The designer, Mr Harry Webster. AP's group engineering director and former engineering chief of Austin Morris, said in London yesterday. We have overcome the challenge that has defeated all previous attempts to produce a fully automatic version of a manual gearboxthe provision of 'hot shift,' be-tween ratios: that is changing gear without wasteful closing of the throttle."

Mr Webster said extensive tests had shown the AP "box" offered 25 per cent fuel saving over other automatic gearboxes, weighed no more than present generation automatics and could be even lighter when production



ing director and chief executive, said: "We are very excited Every manufacturer in the world is spending large sums trying to develop automatic gearboxes for small cars which do not involve an un-acceptable power loss and fuel

is more the car people can produce them themselves by buying clutches and actuating gear Mr George Pears, AP manag- from us, or we are prepared to

talk about licensing deals. Despite the fact that the design concept is so simple, we believe that we have the parents sewn up pretty right. The only reason we are prepared to talk today is that there are so many rumours floating around we felt we had to put the record straight."

The system was revealed to car manufacturers a month ago. Already one large American company has asked AP to vet its own drawings for a small manual gearbox so that it can make any modifications to produce manual and automatic gearboxes on

Further developments already include five and six-speed

versions which can be accommodated in the same space as four-speed gearboxes. Despite reluctance among American drivers to switch from automatics. American car makers are being forced to make huge investments to pro-

duce manual gearboxes to meet stringent federal fuel economy targets. If AP's claims are substantiated they could enable General Motors, Ford and Chrysler to kill two birds with one stone.

And if there are worries about the vuluerability of supplies from Leanington AP

is ready to expand capacity at

its newly established United States plant. Clifford Webb

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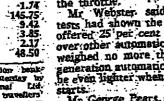
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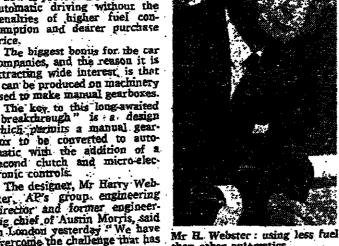
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#### Japanese deficit cut by surge in exports

Japan's current account defijapan's current account defi-cit fell to \$1,240m in February from a record \$3,374m (about £1,540m) in January. The February deficit compared with a \$290m surplus in the same

month last year.

Finance Ministry officials attributed the fall in the deficit to an upsurge in exports. especially those of cars and steel products. The exports inwas attributed to the yen's downturn on the foreign

exchange markets. Overall payment Overall payments in Febru-ary were in deficit by \$840m (£381.8m) against \$2,222m (£1m) in January and \$761m (£345.9m) in the corresponding month in 1979.

#### Car output record

Production at Toyo Kogyo, reached a new monthly record in February, with an output of 91,527 units, 16 per cent up from January and 19.1 per cent up on the same month last

#### Controls condemned

Mr Alfred Kahn, President Carter's adviser on inflation has repeated the Administration's opposition to mandatory wage and price controls and said they "would be a serious said they 'mistake".

#### Iran gas price

Iran is seeking a price of \$3.63 dollars a 1.000 cu ft for its gas supplies to the Soviet Union, almost five times more under the Shah. The Russians are offering between 30 and 40 per cent less than the asking price.

#### 'Barter 'trade trend

Barter-type transactions, sometimes called compensation agreements, are likely to become more important in East-West trade during the 1980s despite opposition from some unions and industry organizations in the West according to experts at the Leipzig trade

#### Turkey aid

Mr Noboru Takeshita the Japanese finance minister is reluctant to comply with a West German request to increase aid to Turkey this year. He believes aid should be increased to Pakistan and Thailand, both hit by an inflow of refugees.

Share Capital and Reserves

Shareholders' subordinated

Current and deposit accounts

Certificates of deposit issued

the year, in comparison with 7% for 1978).

loans U.S. \$11,680,000

**Deferred Taxation** 

**Current Liabilities** 

Creditors and accruals

Proposed dividend

Authorised shares of £1 each

Issued ordinary shares

of £1 each

General reserve

Retained profit

## Furness Withy and the Chinese connexion

The offer for Furness Withy by Mr C. Y. Tung a month ago set the alarm bells jangling in British shipping as nothing has for decades. After all Bovis, which bid for P & O in the mid-seventies was, at least, British. Mr Tung is Chinese.

Furness Withy, apart from its interests in bulk carriers and North Sea oil, is one of the four partners or "granmes" in Overseas Containers, the consortium which has progressively taken over the lion's share of Britain's liner shipping in the Africa, Australasia and Far East trades. Does it do to let a foreigner into that sort of holy of holies: the heartland of British shipping?

During a month of heart searching many who at first instinctively opposed the bid are now coming round to thinking it may be no bad riing.

Mr Tung, with 120 ships of 10 million tonnes compared with Furness Withy's 50 of one million tonnes, is well known to British owners, who respect him and his son, C. H. Tung, as shrewd and competent operators; buccaneers who can nevertheless be relied on.

nevertheless be relied on.

As one leading United Kingdom owner closely involved said to him recently:

"If it had to be anyone, CY, we'd prefer it to be you." But this particular scion of British shipping did not think it should be anyone; and CY heard his view with oriental politeness.

The Furness Wishy heard has also be anyone;

The Furness Withy board has clearly

Court bans

director for

Mr Ian Robert Law, a former

qualified by a High Court judge

yesterday from holding office

as a director of a company or

Mr Law's conduct as a director of six companies, which

had been wound up as insolv-

ent, made him unfit to be

concerned in the management of a company, the judge said. Mr Law, of Sid Abbey, Sid-mouth, Devon, had opposed the

Mr Peter Gibson, for the

Official Receiver, said the appli-

cation was being made to pre-vent Mr Law, an undischarged

bankrupt, obtaining an auto-

matic discharge in December,

1982, the fifth anniversary of

his being adjudicated bankrupt.

Mr Law was a menace to creditors, said Mr Gibson, whether in a private capacity

or acting through companies.

The application was to ensure

that the public was protected

period allowed under the Act.

maximum

The companies with which Mr

Law was involved were: Max-

application through counsel.

five years

Insolvency Act.

overcome its doubts in recommending the ment of Trade could, presumably, stop raised bid. But directors primarily have that where British interests were the interests of shareholders and staff to threatened even if they were held not to consider, and both could benefit.

British shipowners reconsider opposition to takeover by Tung group

Because there seems little doubt that Mr Tung would instil fresh dynamism into a group that under its lively chairman, Mr Brian Shaw, is already on the upgrade after years in the doldrums, Far East shipowners, of whom Mr Tung is a leader, are currently exhibiting just the expansionist-entrepreneurial skill that our Victorian forebears did to establish these household names of British shipping in the first place.

A measure of refertilization of the parent by the offspring as it were may be fruitful. This after all is the thinking behind the BL deal with Honda.

Doubts arise over defence, employment. and the dumino effect of the sale of main British shipping outlets abroad. Merchant shipping has a strong strategic value: and whatever assurances Mr Tung gives about keeping Furness Withy under the United Kingdom flag, would they hold in the event of a resale by him to someone

The same question applies to employ-ment. Yet it is worth remarking that a third of Britain's fleet is already owned abroad by American, Eastern and Euro-pean companies, who find the Red Ensign a very convenient fleg to fly.

As for the domino effect, the Departbe so in this case.

Particular conflict could arise in the North Atlantic trade, where Furness Withy's Manchester Liners is in competition with the Dart container consortium which the Tung company shares with Bibby and the Company Maritime Belge; and in the Far East trade where Tung is in Ace, a rival to OCL's trio consortium. But these can be resolved.

More to the point is South America, the one great trade area still to be containerone great trade area stru to be contained ized where Furness Withy is the OCL partner with existing trading rights. If the other CCL partners: P & O, Ocean, and British & Commonwealth, exercise their option to buy out Furness Withy on takeover—they would presumably sell those rights too. But the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development code should keep them British.

Clearly there are a number of grounds for a possible reference to the Monopolies Commission which, following Friday's offer, is now being formally considered,

and which Mr Tung says would kill the But while some United Kingdom owners

still feel strongly that it should be so referred, they may by now be in a

Michael Baily

#### Call for public sector to rethink research and development

sales and other United Kingdom

sales are likely to exceed the

states. As an interim measure

R and D boards might be set

the R and D programmes of public-sector purchasers. These would include representatives

both purchasers

suppliers.
Mr Downs said that at the

start of the group's investi-gation there was a feeling that the large public-sector organiz-

ations might not be getting the hest deal in their R and D;

might not have the advantage of competitive bids from

several outside suppliers; and,

most importantly, were weaken-ing the technical base of in-

difficult for industry to com-

\*R and D for public pur-chasing. Advisory Council for Applied Research and Develop-ment. (HMSO, £2.50).

dustry and making it

pete in world markets.

Competition

162,861,326

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success

public-sector requirement.

The public sector is doing too much research and development in support of its purchas-ing decisions, according to a report\* published yesterday by the Government's Advisory Council for Applied Research and Development (ACARD).

being involved in its manage-The council is not arguing that the total amount of R and ment for the next five years without leave of the court. D should be reduced, but that Mr Justice Dillon imposed the maximum disqualification after hearing an application by the Official Receiver. It was the first application of its kind it should be redistributed. The public-sector purchasing organ-izations should rely more on their suppliers' own R and D or should contract out more R and to the court under the 1976 D work to the private sector.

This conclusion follows an investigation by an ACARD working group, led by Mr D. Downs of Ricardo Consulting Engineers, into five industries where the public sector dominates the United Kingdom mar-

ket for goods or services.

These industries are coal min. ing machinery, rail transport, road construction, water supply and treatment, and gas supply and distribution.

Four guidelines are proposed by the ACARD group:
1. The R and D necessary to explore new concepts and systems of operation, or the safe and efficient operation of

existing systems, is the proper responsibility of the purchaser. 2 R and D that should lead to products or expertise marketable outside the United Kingdom public sector is the proper responsibility of the supplier, in some cases with financial sup-

port from the purchaser.

3. Where a programme supported by the public sector is well Associates (Executive Selection) Ltd, wound up January, 1975; Maxwell Staff Ltd. capable of leading within five years to equipment or expertse which can be marketed outside the United Kingdom public sector, there should be private sector participation in planning, wound up December, 1976; Maxwell Industrial Staff Ltd, wound un April, 1977 : Rockstar Ltd and Muxgate Heating Ltd wound up November, 1977; and Sagar Securities Ltd wound up direction and funding of the

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443,617,352

£473,130,046

368,170

**Current Assets** 

Bills discounted

Deposits with banks

Loans and advances

Debtors and prepayments

Loans and Advances

(directors' valuation)

Investments - Unlisted at cost

over one year

**Fixed Assets** 

at call and short notice

Cash, balances at bankers, money

Certificates of deposit purchased

cerned have been invited to discuss possible joint ventures with the corporation. Technology News

The competition was organized jointly by the NRDC and the National Computing Centre 4. Such participation should last September to encourage normally extend to control, and substantial funding, if export British innovation in the application of microprocessors new products, processes and services. Yesterday the win-ners were presented with their awards in London by Sir Keith But a sudden transfer of R and D to the private sector would not be wise, the report

Joseph Four criteria were used in judging the compension degree of novelty, potential value. commercial value, technical and commercial possibility and standard of documentation. Two main categories covered projects in working-model form and those on paper; and a special prize was awarded to a school project.

The six prize-winners—coincidentally, the NRDC says—represent six different catgories. They are a small firm,
a subsidiary of a large company, a common-ownership company, a university team, a private individual and a school

The winner of the first prize of £10,000 for the best invention incorporating a microprocessor and demonstrated as a working model was Sinar Agritec of Egham, Surrey, for automatic moisture meter for grain, seed, rice and other crops. This, the judges said. was "a brilliant combination of inventive genius and hard-headed practicality".

Fifty one of the 218 projects which were submitted for the Three aspects of the design were judged to be particularly impressive: ingenuity in the British Microprocessor Compe-tition have attracted the interest of the National Research Development Corpora-tion as Capillates for formaweighing and water-content measurement; efficiency in compressing the calibration tion as candidates for future data for different crops into a NRDC investment. The organsingle microcircuit; and simpli-city in the method of operating izations and individuals condevice. Worldwide market prospects are believed to be

> Second prize in this category vent to a team from the mecha nical engineering department of University of Manchester Insti-tute of Science and Technology. for an interactive programming system for numerically con-trolled lathes. Here the main benefit is that skilled machinists can use their knowledge while the microprocessor takes the drudgery out of routine metal machining operations.

The programming is done by the machinist and not by specialist computer program mers, drawing on pre-pro-grammed data to handle the main variables. Inventions such as this one could "invigorate Britain's struggling machine tool industry", the judges said. Third prize for working models went to Grundy Termi-nals for the company's "Truestock" stock control system The main novelty here is the simple method of using the system: parts are identified simply by pointing a light pen at the appropriate part of an overlay drawing.

In the second category, for paper projects, the winner was MDB Electronics (UK) of Deptford, London, for a portable electrocardiograph machine. Second was Mr C. Goss of Twickenham for an electronic aid for people with speech handicaps.

The special prize for a schools project showing both inventive flair and a good understanding of microprocessors went to Graeme Harker and Anthony McKay of the Royal Grammar School, Newcastle upon Tyne, for a microprocessor-controlled theatre lighting system.

#### Underwater venture

A British centre for underwater technology is to be set up jointly by Houlder Offsbore, offsbore service- and rig management company, and Comes, the French group which provides diving services and under water equipment.

In a £6m deal Houlder Offshore, a member of the Furness Withy group, has acquired a 50 per cent interest in Comex Diving, and has increased its holding from 2 per cent to 16 per cent in the parent Comex The two companies have

already worked in close association over a number of years in the North Sea. The strengthened partnership should give a strong marketing base to Houlder in the Far East founded on the French company's activities in Indonesia, China and the Soviet

> Kenneth Owen and Bill Johstone in its final stages of construc-

## Inflation accounting and the test of industrial realism

From Mr A. J. Merrett and that is essentially sources of trial assers it it de Mr Allen Sykes and future realizable capital. Mr Allen Sykes 🤲 Sir, In his March 10 article Geoffrey Whittington criticizes other participants in the inaccounting debate for failing either to give clear defi- It should therefore be noted nitions or to reveal their that we were most careful not implicit assumptions. Regret to say that rises in asset values

demonstrates that he has not -in fact we say almost the read our original article or first opposite. We point out that letter (February 25) at all carefully, and is himself guilty of what he imputes to others. He takes no notice of the careful distinctions we have made and imputes to us views we do not hold. Further in no sense is he a supporter of ED 24 but rather of an enhanced CPP method. Our second letter, published simultaneously with his article answers at least one of his points (the automatic allowance for gearing) but the-

remainder require a reply.

The first point to note is that he virtually ignores our basic distinction between productive and investment assets. This is shown most clearly in his use of house ownership as an example rather than an industrial productive asset. Yet ahouse is not a satisfactory example of a productive asset: it is primarily an investment asset and so cannot be used to disprove our reasoning on productive assets. It should be obvious that a house is essentially an investment asser: it is so recommended in all personal investment advice writings, and

beyond that of its owners.
Further, unlike most productive assets it has a ready secondhand market and resale values almost equal replacement costs. If we were to live forever, however, and so would always need at least a mini-mum sized house, such a house would be a productive asset, and a rise in its resale value would typically be of little use to us and certainly not a realistic part of our income since we all have to continue to live somewhere. Given, however, that most of us own houses temporarily (certainly large family houses which we usually sell on retirement for a smaller one) it is clear that most houses are primarily investment assets,

The contrast between such high as at present assets and the typical industrial . Whose sudgme productive asset is very considerable, as our article showed.

It should therefore be noted tably his article primarily could never give rise to gains demonstrates that he has not —in fact we say almost the

where rises in the replacement. rost of productive assets can on in full and earn an acceptable return, again this is a welcome event and replace ment costs would not be justified. But where replace-ment costs rises in productive assets cannot be passed on in full, still less earn an acceptable profit, then in these precisely defined circumstances we point out that there is no benefit from so-called "holding

By definition future profits (and future cash flows) will be lower. Yet in these circumstances ED 24 will record at in annual costs least the borrowed realized pro- cost depreciation; portion of bolding gains as a profit—a profit presumably to be taxed to be used for dividends, higher wages, etc. Our argument is that patently there is no such profit. A profit is only thought to exist in such circumstances because of the circumstances because of the false analogy with investment assets (where such rises are unreservedly to be welcomed), a false analogy Mr Whittington makes in common with ED 24

proponents. It is because we do not share the view that rises in replacement costs on productive assets are , welcome events, as they unquestionably are for investment assets, that we do take a gloomer view of the current prospects for much of British industry than Mr Whittington and ED 24 proponents. As our article pointed out the stock market strikingly supports our view in that average industrial companies are trading at under a third of the replacement costs of their assets, a huge and uminous discrepancy. In other words the stock market does not accept the validity of the benefits from holding gains on productive assets, the overwhelming proportion of indus-

correctly perceived improvement in in fits (requiring into ciency, etc) much industry will not replace its existing they wear out. The debate on inflation matters because i important for all o

profits realistically

can any remedies !

To sad in the at industrial reality. Mr Whittington and last five years ment costs rise in 20 per cent. This ing gain of £5x and in annual costs pose further that increase cannot be full, still less at a Suppose finally, the 40 per cent Briti cannot justify repl many lines and h plants when exist tools wear out T be added to CCA.pr of gearing or any c ments for the 20 p in replacement cos would cause Briti to contract? This, rather than owned house is a

correct example of production asset I distributable profits the future: unless can properly be tax less these rises can taken into accoun

A. J. MERRETT and ALLEN SYKES Leatherhead.

#### Qualification of secretary

Sir, The new clause (No 75) added to the Companies Bill in

the Commons states:
"It shall be the duty of the directors of a public company to take all reasonable steps to secure that the secretary, or each joint secretary, of the company is a person who appears to them to have the requisite knowledge and ex is not merely unnecessary as perience to discharge the (a) is the situation as it functions of secretary of the exists, and if one has (e) why company company.

(a) held the office of secre-(a) held the office of secrementary, assistant or deputy secrementary, assistant or deputy secrementary on the appointed day.

(b) had held the office of that the society has esked all secretary in a company other poers to vote against the inclution a public company other poers.

than a public company prior to, his appointment (c) is a member of certain bodies mentioned in sub section

(d) is a barrister, advocate or solicitor in the United Kingdom (e) is a person who by virtue of his holding or having held any other position, or being a member of any other body,

#### Short-sighted

From Mr David L. Jackson Sir, Mr Baker (March 11) paints woeful picture as to where anybody who is unsophisticated in financial affairs should now 20 for financial advice. The banks purport to provide a service-what sort of service is it that encourages people to bor-row at over 30 per cent per annum? I agree with him that the use of credit cards has many advantages if the ex-tended credit offered is not taken up but that is how Barclaycard and Access make their money.

Does the public, as Mr Baker suggests, have to learn the hard suggests, have to learn the hard way that its friendly bank manager is a wolf in sheep's clothing nowadays and far from giving advice simply points people in a direction where maximum interest can accrue to the bank? I for one think this is very short sighted behaviour for the banks (tuday's haviour for the banks (today's borrower may be tomorrow's depositor) and at the same time it contributes to a gradual erosion of respect for one of the country's main institutions. Yours faithfully, DAVID JACKSON, 5-6 Yarmouth Place, London W1Y 7DW.

appears to the directors to be capable of discharging those functions. The listed bodies are the members of the CCAB plus the

Chartered - Secretaries Administrators. It is the society's contention that, notwithstanding the under- alleged by Professi taking given by the Under Sec-retary for Trade, that this clause

have (c)? but that it misleads 

sein of this clause when Bill redurns to the Lords. Yours faithfully, JOHN H. TRESMAN,

Executive Director and fecretary, The Society of Company and Commercial Accountants, 11 Portland Road,

Birmingham B16 9HW.

#### Language aid

Eroin Mr L. N. Brown Sir. The recent article (March 10) by Mr Bob Crew drew attention to the importance of British engineers, lawvers and other professional having competence in foreign languages, Here in Birmingham University the Faculty of Law and the Department of French have, since 1976, been offering a new four-year course which combines the study of English and French law with the study of French language, and leads ro an LLB (Law with French) degree. The student spends his or her third year in the Law

Faculty of Limoges University. The course has been heavily oversubscribed by highly qualified school-leavers, who evidently wish to improve their skill in a foreign language while at the same time pursuing a vocationally oriented course.

Birmingham is now only one of some half dozen British law schools providing law and language courses, a combination which was given strong support by the Advisory Committee on Legal Education in a report issued under Lord Justice Lawton's chairmu. ship in 1978. L. NEVILLE FROWN. University of Birmingham, Birmingham B15 2TT.

it wants each nuclear station

diagnosis to engmeers From Sir Reginald N Sir, May a mer

The correc

seeming lack (March 7), in the the Flowers and reports. I recently attended

of the Parliamentar Committee when Finniston talked report, and I have part in several discu engineers and rep of other professions organization to reg engineering education analogous to the Ger both of which bodies Council related and f

the professions concè It would seem engineering, such a do much to confirm and to promote t recognition of charte eers within our soc in no way damaging functions and aspirati existing engineering is

I am not qualified Finniston's advocacy body's additional res of engineering in though I must confess reservations about 1 dependent on the Go and the long-suffer

Yours faithfully. REGINALD MURLE: The Royal College of S of England. 35-43 Lincoln's Inn Fie London WCZA 3PN March 10

Free market From Professor F. A.

Sir, Sir Eric Roll make Milton Friedman (Mar having said that "the Western civilization res free- market":: Surely fessor Friedman had said what he clearly namely that the whole ern civilization rests much free market as ment allowed, he wou been perfectly right. Yours faithfully, I'. A. HAYEK, Urachstrasse 27, D-7800 Freiburg.

In the case of nuclear

employed does not sec-ensure managerial

#### March 12. Disputes threat to nuclear power

Sir, The Government's present energy policy takes into account the instability of the oil produc-ing countries and the preful position of the miners. But in deciding to embark on a programme of 10 nuclear stations over the next decade it seems to be placing its head firmly in the lion's mouth. Both during the final stages of nuclear plant construction and during operarion, the vast sums of capital involved (over one billion pounds for a Pressurized Water

Reactor), are severely endan-gered by the possibility of industrial action by a few employees. The Central Electricity Generating Board's £560 million Isle of Grain power plant has recently been held up by the action of a mere 27 laggers

completed within six to seven years. At any one time £5 bil-lion would be invested in construction before any energy was produced. But if the Isle of Grain oil fired station's experience was to be repeated, an extra 55 billion would also be tied up because of delays, "comparable to the entire annual capital investment by British manufacturing industry", as the Sunday Times recently pointed out. Again during the present steel strike, we have seen how

the withdrawal of safety work at Europe's biggest blastfurnace at Redcar was only narrowly averted. The colossol loss of investment-£110 million-that the irrevocable damage to the furnace would have caused can only be contrasted with the potency of this blackmail potency of this blackmail weapon in the hands of the few safety workers concerned.

There is no reason National Union of Workers should not " emerge and the worker nuclear power station we in an excellent position to strength to strike act. another part of the industry. It would be wiser to rap all sours energy, especially those withdrawal of labour do automatically bring abou destruction of r' capital
If heavy reliauce is play
nuclear power, then the force would have to be n ized, a concept unaccepta a democratic country su ours.

Yours faithfully. FRANK PILKINGTON. 44 Josephine Avenue, London, SW2.

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SHAREHOLDERS:

Extracts from the Chairman's Statement

The trading profit for 1979 was £4,391,691 compared with £3,618,842 for the previous

recommends a dividend of £1,000,000 (7.27% on the increased capital averaged over

year. The sum of £1,250,000 has been transferred to General Reserve. The Board

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## First thoughts on the Carter package

onal financial markets gave an thumbs up" yesterday to President anti-inflation package. True, the et profit-taking in New York after antial rises in other markets earlier ly. But the undertone appeared firm and majority financial opinion to have been suitably impresned by rican measures.

said, a great deal of international vas clearly moving into the dollar the prospect of still higher United terest rates in the short-term. Threenoney rates in New York moved e 18 per cent level and prime rates cent plus cannot now be far off. ong that money will stay there is,

, another and rather more important It is goin gto take time for the n measures to work an othe real test imerican atuborities will lie in their to keep the screws turned tight or long enough.

while, sterling again behaved with resilence in tradeweighted terms to nly fractionally lower on the day been almost 1 per cent off before A February current account deficit 1, if nothin gto shout about was at mewhat better in both size and than had been generally expected; big shakeout in many (dollar ated) commodities can only be good the months ahead.

3 important for the authorities at the is the way in which sterling interest e managing to hold their ground he pressure of rising dollar rates. eriod rates were rather firmer in late yesterday, but the authorities btless be well satisfied if they can 18 per cent ceiling on rates over the

vill doubtless suit the Chancellor too, at his Budget speech is now going to be rather different from the one tht have been forming in his mind rn of the year.

zinly the smart money has firmly n the sidelines following tse details arter package. Opinions differ about imate impact of the proposed s but with short term Eurodollar rates around six points above bond ere is clearly no urgency to do any-

day the LIBOR three-months rate a point to stand at over 20 per cent e yield on five to seven years dollar as only around 141 per cent.

me clear thing from the interest r is that the pressure on other curis becoming intolerable. With the elding as much as 50 per cent more : Deutschemark and nearly 70 per re than the Swiss franc some furustments in rates seem on the cards question now is when that will

cently announced 9 per cent in the discount rate now looks puny and set to go further. As for sterling, sked an impossibly high rate only iso now looks quite normal and the ected bull market in gilts may take o come about.

as Euromarket rates are concerned now a gaping anomaly. Long-term e traditionally higher than shorttes while the precise reverse is the

icans have become cynical about dministration's economic packages. Presidential and other elections just the corner they are not sure how s will respond to the Carter plan my case it is clear that at best inflal take time to begin falling. Eurom the other hand, are more prone he longer view.

see some light at the end of the What the Carter package has almost y done is to make sure that a recescoming and that it will bite hard. ggests that the oil price, in real t least, is unlikely to make specprogress, that commodity prices will pfall and that demand for money ntually fall.

then will take the classical shape of ates of interest and an eventual bull in long term bonds.

#### t Developments

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gain Barratt Developments has proset of figures which fly in the face inventional wisdom about the housesector. After six months, profits per cent higher at £11.5m and that alue sales gain of 36 per cent at So Barratt is notching up its mara bousing market which looks well worst recession since the war.

It attributes this to better marketing which is gaining share from its competitors There is another side to this coin though. Marketing, especially when it involves subsidising mortgages, as Barratt is doing with obvious success in terms of units sold, is expensive. Borrowing have been rising, taking gearing up from around 45 per cent at the end of last year to perhaps 65 per cent now, although that partly reflects cash put out for acquisitions of £6.5m which should soon make a positive return and heavy investment in industrial and commercial property projects, an area which should be producing income of around £3m by the end of next year.

Thus Barratt remains relaxed in the face of scepticism; it will aim to sell some 11,000 units this year (5,250 already sold) and with acquisitions has accumulated a land bank which would ensure production at the present rate for about three years.

The difficulty for the market, of course, is that housebuilders have been seen to come and go too often before, especially ambitious ones. Has Barratt found the for-mula for stability even when recessions are at their fiercest?

Hhe next 18 months will show, but meanwhile no one is prepared to take an overoptimistic view; the shares at 118p yield 141 per cent assuming the 20 per cent increase in the interim dividend is followed through with the final, and Barratt sells at around 31 times fully taxed earnings taking top—end forecasts of a £27m profit this year. This is still a share for the brave only.

#### BTR

#### **Maintaining** momentum

BTR's growth halo still shows no signs of slipping despite the steadily deteriorating trading outlook, especially in the automotive and engineering industries, for the group's products.

After the 50 per cent first-half jump, industrial disruption costing some £4m and the stronger pound restrained the second six months a little to leave the full year

43 per cent ahead at £57.2m. For a group whose 40 per cent compound growth rate over the past decade has leant heavily on an aggressive acquisition policy, the past year has seen strong internal growth which has accounted for £9.3m of the £17.1m pre-tax advance.

True that was helped by £1.75m of loss elimination in Germany now in the black to the tune of £1.5m and the closure of APG Australia cut out £300,000 of losses there

With Europe slowing—profits were just under a third up at £39.4m—BTR's push



Sir David Nicolson, chairman of BTR Industries.

overseas, especially in the United States with SW Industries and Worcester, is improving its geographical profile and the rectnilink with Swire should help the expanding Far Eastern interests.

Eve nwithout further acquisitions, which could include a return for Bestobell where it retains its 25 per cent stake, after last year's takeover defeat, BTR is still confident of further growth in the current year even though the fully-taxed p/e ratio of 121, getting on for twice the market average, leaves little room for any disappointment.

Even with a one for three scrip issue and a better than expected dividend increase to 16.4p gross giving a more respectable 5 per cent yield, the shares only managed to hold their own at 326p although the market

was weak yesterday. For the moment another of BTR's regular rights calls look unnecessary given the stronger balance sheet and a £7m rise in liquid resources last year but it seems just as clear that the group would like a sizable takeover, perhaps in the United States, to add to its steady stream of small acquisi-

#### Hugh Clayton

## Farming: the old alliance under strain

Farmers and the Government have fallen out. The billing and cooing that lasted for most of last year has been replaced by snarling recrimination.

A Hampshire farmer said recently to Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food: "I am not getting any price incentive out of the market to expand my of the market to expand my production. We need to use the money we would like to invest to keep our businesses ticking over. We need to use it to pay these very high rates of interest."

The exchange was interesting because he was a Conservative speaking at a meeting of Con-servatives, held at Newbury, Berkshire. He remembered Mr Walker at meetings of the Young Conservatives many Young Conyears ago.

years ago.

Mr Walker's reply gave a reminder of the special relationship between the present Government and farmers. "Last ernment and farmers. ernment and farmers. "Last year was a bad year for lamb because of the winter", he said. "I personally decided to increase the size of my flock. I do not look with a gloomy eye at the prospects for the lamb flock in the coming years."

The Conservative Party is stuffed with politicians who are also farmers. When Mr Walker awarded record increases in subsidies for hill livestock last year, he was one of the benificiaries.

In fact, all four ministers in farmers believed that the arrival

Farmers' Umon for more than 30 years. Sir William Elliott, Conservative MP for Newcastleon-Tyne, North, and chairman of the Commons Select Committee on Agriculture, has farmed since 1939.

Mr John Spence, Conservative MP for Thirsk and Malton and a member of the Select Committee, says in Who's Who that he is a member of the National Farmers' Union and the Counrry Landowners' Association.
Mr Peter Mills, Conservative
MP for Devon, West, and
chairman of the Parliamentary party's committee on agricul-ture, fisheries and food, has farmed since 1943.

It would be wrong of assume

that the farming interest among Conservative politicians is confined to a declining and anti-quated squirearchy. Mr Delwyn Williams, who entered the Commons for the first time last year after taking Montgomery from the Liberals, is a farmer's son.

Sir Henry Plumb, president of the National Farmers' Union from 1970 to 1979, fought the first direct elections to the European Parliament as a Conservative and is now chairman the agriculture committee

Mr Richard Butler, his suc-cessor as president of the NFU, is a son of Lord Butler of Saffron Walden and a brother of Mr Adam Butler, Minister of State at the Department of Industry.
It is not surprising that

his department are farmers of a Conservative Government Other parliamentary colleagues who farm include Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, has





Mr Peter Walker (left), Minister of Agriculture, and Mr Richard Butler, President of the National Farmers' Union: "The Government must provide further resources".

The Conservatives gave themselves five years in their manifesto to eliminate the green pound gap which had been the pivot of farmers' complaints against the Labour government. The green pound was used in the late 1970s as a device for holding down the price of food in Britain.

In 1976 the level of farm prices in Britain was at times more than 40 per cent below that in the rest of the EEC. The strengthening of the pound in the past year and the deci-sion of the Conservatives to devalue the green pound three times eliminated the gap not in five years, but in less than

partnership between farming Conservatives in Westminster and Conservative far-mers in the NFU seemed to be working. The love affair reached its height late last year when Mr Butler went to Number 10 Downing Street to see the Prime Minister and Mr Walker. He emerged glowing with optimism.

Since then the union has tabled a long list of further demands which have not yet been mer. Mr Butler acknow-ledged at the annual meeting of the union that the Govern-ment had done much for farmers in 1979 but Ite added ominously: "The Govern-

The gulf between ministers and farmers has widened this year during the long-run-up to the EEC price-fixing for the coming 12 months. The NFU supports the claim by Coua, the EEC committee of agricultural producers' organizations, for an average rise of 7.9 per cent in Community-wide prices for foods covered by the Common Agricultural Policy.

It also wants the Government to consider awarding extra increases in Britain with what are described disarmingly as "positive monetary compensa-tory amounts". That is convenient mumbo-jumbo to disguise the fact that after years of campaigning for the green pound gap to be closed, farmers want it to be opened

again in the opposite direction. In other words, after cam-paigning for British prices to he raised to the level of the rest of the EEC, and having won the campaign, they now want them to be pushed beyond the level of the rest of the Community. The NFU says that higher prices are justified in Britain because rates of interest and inflation are higher in this country than elsewhere.

The union has miscalculated.

their affairs were directed by ment must, by one measure or ernment will not allow it to Mr John Silkin.

At first the magic worked.

ment must, by one measure or ernment will not allow it to couch Mr Walker dismissed the Copa claim at Newbury, saying Copa claim at Newbury, saying that it was based on an out or

Mr Butler forgot when he harangued the Prime Minister and Mr Walker at Number 10 that he was addressing a grocer's daughter and a grocer's son. He forgot that the Cun-servative manifesto said that "our agricultural and our food industries are as important and efficient as any that we have."

The food processing industry and the grocery trade have implored Mr Walker to be seduced by farmers claims for large price rises, saying that they will simply depress demand for food

Mr Tim Fortescue, secretary-general of the Food and Brink Industries Council, told farm-ers at Newbury: "Farmers all over Europe are producing non-food to be bought by inter-vention boards and stored and never to be seen again, EEC prices are going to go down. There is absolutely no escaping from it.

The food processing industry also has lines of communication to the Government. Mr Fortescue was a Conservative MP for almost eight years and spent time in the white office runder Mr Heath, Mr But er appears to have forgetten his father's dictum that "the art Its leaders have encouraged a father's dictum that "the art belief among members that it of government is only the art can hit targets which the Gov- of what is possible".

#### Why employers dislike strike reform proposals

There are employers who would like to abolish trade unions completely, and who do not think the Government's proposals to curb secondary industrial action go far enough. At the other end of the spectrum are those who want trade unions which are strong enough to make their agreements stick and who regard the proposals

as a retrograde move.

In the middle are the majority who simply think that the power balance has tilted too far in the direction of trade unions and who welcome modest legislative changes to help them redress it.
All three points of view are

likely to be heard at the Con-federation of British Industry tomorrow, when the grand council tries to agree a collec-State for Employment. Their views must be submitted by The result of the CBI's deli-

berations is likely to be a fairly bland document broadly supporting the Government. But, behind the scenes, feelings are running high.

Industrialists are getting fed up coping with the backwash of disputes, like the steel strike, which they have no control. They also resent having to stand by helplessly while their employees are coerced into actions which are not in their own best interests and are. the employers believe against the wishes of the majority. So far. Sir John Methven,

the director general, and other CBI leaders have managed to keep the official responses on a cool and reasonable plane. But the resentments may bubble over tomorrow.

Concern about the new procategories. First, employers are disappointed that legal immunity would continue to be given to trade unions for industrial action which involves suppliers and customers as well as the employer.

What the proposals say is that there should continue to be no rights to bring civil proceedings against strikers who interfere with commercial contracts of "first suppliers or contracts of the employer in customers of the employer in dispute who were not them-



Striking steel workers picket the Port Talbot BSC plant, South Wales.

who regularly conduct a substantial part of their business with such a party.". A common view is that if the

changes are to have any signifi-cant effect, immunity should be confined entirely to ind arrial action at the place of work. Employers argue that the pro-posals could block the possi-bility of further legislation restricting immunities solely to "primary" industrial action, even if this is seen later as something which ought to have been done.

They also argue that by recognizing any degree of action at all beyond that involving the employer in dispute, as respect-able and legitimate, the provisions will simply open the gates to all forms of disruption outside the place of work.

Secondly, there is concern among a strong body of employers that they should be able to take out a court injunction against unions rather than individuals and to seek recompense from union funds.

Finally, some industry representatives are proposing a third test which industrial action must satisfy before it can be regarded as "in furtherance" of a dispute and therefore award immunity. The two tests already proposed by the Secretary of State for Employment are: whether or not dispute who were not them ment are: whether or not selves party to the dispute but action taken was "reasonably

Lords judgments on Express Newspapers v MacShane and Duport Steels and others v Sirs and others. But some em-ployers would like to add another which is that a trade agreed disputes procedures in-cluding the use of arbitration and to go through a secret ballot before calling industrial action. There are those, too, who would like to see this test applied before any social pay.

ments are made to strikers' atrebnaceh It also wants to give minority groups of trade unionists the statutory right to call a ballot in given circumstances in the same way that a minority of shareholders can seek an overall expression of views. The Asso-ciation of British Chambers of Commerce has reservations about whether the widening of the " conscience provisions non-union membership will work in practice. Instead it would dismissal for non-union membership to no longer proin any circumstances. This

capable " of furthering the dis-pute in question and whether for employers who sacked an

or not it was taken predominantly in pursuit of that
dispute and not principally for
some "extraneous motive".

These are, of course, two of
the basic tests which the Court
of Appeal was developing provisions. Its view is that
before the recent House of widening the grounds for nonLords judgments on Express union membership or member-ship of any particular union could disrupt existing stable bargaining arrangements by encouraging splinter groups to defect.
The EEF's view is supported

by others, particularly em-ployers such as the nationalized industries who have bad leng experience of working with closed shops and who believe that the proposals would merely crease opportunities for mave-ricks to make mischief. This group thinks it would be better

to concentrate on making agreements with unions and getting them to honour them. getting them to honour them.

If nothing else, the proposals have been useful in forcing employers and their representatives to clarify their weres on where they stand in relation to trade unions. It is a pity that the legislative document, emiles, which the legislative documents, emiles, which the legislative documents. against which the talks are taking place was not easier to understand. The Bill is a mass of subsections, headless, hyphens and cross references to earlier legislation. Some clauses defy even the emerts.

The most common misunderthe frost common mistaderstanding is that the proposed new how will require union to hold a ballot and obtain 80 per cent approval before, negotiating a closed shop. This may be the intention but as Mr R. C. Sansom, director of the Contractors' Plant Association has regioned out. tion, has pointed out, the actual. proposed legislation does nothing of the sort. It mere'y provides grounds for an unfair dismissal action by an employee who has been sacked for noncompliance if such a bailot has not been held.

It cannot be much encourageso many industrialists, for different reasons, think tast the proposals intended to help them will do more barm than

But industrialists realize perfectly well that the Government can only move as far as public opinion will permit. Their dilemma is whether they should present their case as what in an ideal world they would want or whether they should ask only for what they could reasonably expect to get.

Patricia Tisdail

## Business Diary: Pouring oil on troubled ENI • Slam tomorrow

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the employers of the tainty have rattled managers at tate hydrocarbons cor- group operating companies like ENI, who have been Egip, Snam, Snamprogetti and ing their Prime Minis- Saipen, which have a high repu-Unlike many top men in

sent, know where they Italian industry, Egidi is more manager than politician. In Egidi, who came in 1977, Egidi left ENI after many ember as a temporary years following a tiff with ent commissioner to EM's then chairmen, Pietro until the end of Israe Commissioner To EM's then chairmen, Pietro eing confirmed as their Fiat's engineering and public works consultancy, Impresic Now he is back among many old friends and, it is to be hoped, not too many old enemies.

> The Consumers' Association library recently ordered a book called The Might Micro: Imns in Iraly that the tion. The book was late in coming, and arrived with a handed about some things but plantive note which said: "We he is too asture a campaigner to has not only to suck apologize for the delay in pro-Arabs, but to rehabili- cessing your order. This was battered company, caused by a major computer of innuenda about poli- failure which has now been



HOHOWOOD

'Certainly, Prime Minister, cuts of an extra three and a half billion in central and local government expenditure by 3.15 this afternoon. Shall I repeat that, madam?"

Americans have been told in a blaze of publicity, ignited by the White House, that cuts in clamp down inflation. But as and cannot be rushed. voters turn out for the presiden-

they have not the forgiest about what services will suffer. In New York and Connecticut next week, nobody will be any

President Carter may be cacklet voters, whose support he needs, know how hard he is about to club them over their is happening. Budget briefing heads. He will not even say documents issued to the press whether he has decided to cut at the weekend contained the Saturday post as rumoured.

The President says budget cuts of roughly \$13,000m are on the way, but, says the White government services are to House, the sums are hard ones

Surprise, surprise-by sheer coincidence the White House the NEB should be a bit steadier as Sir Arthur Knight the end of the month—just after the present round of primaries on its shorter leash.

Taddy Kennada Teddy Kennedy.

Even were delay not so politi-cally useful, the White House is in such confusion these days that it seems sometimes that it does not know itself just what is happening. Budget briefing documents issued to the press

Board may be much smaller than before, but that does not let out of the sight of the inch Canadian moliuses at Lon-Industry Secretary, Sir Keith don's Inn on the Park, where Joseph. A Department of In-dustry under-secretary will be moving down Victoria Street at their smaller cousins clinging to mean to say that it is being He has been showing off four-

servant who has been on secondment to the NEB, survived the boardroom upheaval at the end of last year when the old board and its chairman Sir Leslie Murphy resigned over the transfer back to the Dol of responsibility for Rolls-

Caines returns to the Depart-ment of Trade on completion of his three-year stint. By the time Willott takes over, life at Civil Service Willott has been secretary to the Industrial De-

velopment Advisory Board, a lot of eminent outsiders to

whom the Government turns to

advice before splashing out on aid for big projects. He also is well qualified for the NEB's role as a catalyst for high technology industry.

The National Enterprise Michael Vaughan, a young Board may be much smaller Canadian, is trying to "mussel" than before, but that does not in on the British seafood market.

the end of this moran we have over as secretary to the board.

Brian Willott will be replacted four times as much meat per pint", he boasts, "but that's pint", but that so cossetted. We raise them in nylon stockings suspended from buoys off Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. That way they live very clean lives—no dead crabs, or bits of grit and sand."

Vaughan's cultivated mussels already sell in New York, though freight costs alone are higher than the selling price there for the wild article.

BL's plans to renew its aging range of cars are given pith and point by an announcement from a London firm that it is to replace its fleet of German BMW's with BL motors. The company is in antiques and its motto is "Established in the Twentieth Century for the per-petuation of all that is 2000 from the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries."



**FURTHER OUTSTANDING PROGRESS** The Barratt Group made further major progress during the

INTERIM STATEMENT

	December, 1979, and end- year results. The following p :-	
_	Half Year ended 31st December 1979	Half Year ender 21st December 1978
Turnover	£'000 102,301	£'000 75,449
Net Profit	11.509	8.157
Taxation	2,300	
	9,209	8.157

The Group's position as Britain's major private housebuilder was The Group's position as Britan's major private housebuilder vas further consolidated with an increasing share of the market with the newer subsidiaries in the South and the Midlands making an increasingly important contribution. In the Group's more traditional markets in the North and in Scotland, three recent acquisitions with a total cash cost of £6.5 million, will enable it to maintain its market leadership in these areas.

The policy of expanding the property investment portfolio continues to gain momentum and a substantial number of commercial and industrial projects will become income producing during the next eighteen months. The Group is on target to meet its objective of 53 million of property investment income by 30th Other sectors of the Group's business also made progress. The

Other sectors of the Group's observes also made progress, the property conversion company continues to expand, contracting is currently profitable though unlikely to make a significant contribution to the Group's annual result and the diversification into the leisure industry is at an advanced stage with construction. due to commence this month. During the period the Group has successfully concluded negotiations with the major clearing banks and now has available.

to it i30 million of perm finance of between five and ten-years at variable rates of interest in addition to substantial over-draft facilities. These facilities taken in conjunction with the extremely strong land bank and buoyant demand for its products enable the Group to look forward with confidence not only to the end of its financial year, but well beyond.

An interim dividend of 3.5p net per share has been doclared and this will be payable on 30th May, 1980, to shareholders on the register at close of business on 2nd May, 1980. This is an increase of 20% over the comparable dividend paid last year. L. A. BARRATT

Stock markets

## Selling in oils, golds; index 6 pts down

note again yesterday, as dealers began the second leg of the account in a nervous mood ahead of the February trade

Comment all last week that one broker may be in trouble following the recent plunge in secondary oils and Australian issues, helped to unsteady things. But in the event, although several names were bandied about, it all proved to be of no avail as account day

passed off normally.
Instead, dealers were left to ponder over what surprises the Chancellor may have in his Budget speech now only eight days' business away and the latest anti-inflation package delivered by President Carter over the weekend. As a result, it all provided for a rather duli trading session, with the general lack of interest tending to let

prices drift easier. Oils again came in for a battering but this time panied by golds which were weaker on the lower bullion price. Selving was reported by both sectors and, with the extreme volatility being experienced, brokers were anticipating a few days' more of rough pas-sage before prices started to steady themselves.

Despite the selling pressure in oils, jobbers were now beginning to discount the "wind-fall tax" being predicted in some quarters, but were now very much resigned to the idea of an increase in petroleum revenue tax. However, this was of little consolation to the shares which continued to drift throughout the day.

The trade figures were almost instantly dismissed and despite a tendency to make things firmer in after hours,

Trading began on a cautious overall deficit of £176m was 425p, while Fisons shed 5p at to 262p and Cawoods 2p to judged to be pretty deplorable. 274p and ICI closed 4p lower 160p. but it was still a better performance than the previous set

of figures. As a result, gilts showed a slightly better tone in after hours, after earlier selling

ahead of the figures. Longs finished the day with falls averaging £1, while at the shorter end of the market, the

Reports of a second-half improvement are not helping Kitchen Queen. The shares have dipped 5p to 15p in the last week, 41p above the price paid for the former chairman's 28 per cent stake. Then the share price stood at 29p. With the group expected to announce interim losses of £300,000 soon the shares were holding steady at 15p yesterday.

losses were between £\{\} and £\{\}.

Leading industrials encountered small pockets of selling most of the day, but this had dried up by late afternoon, but in the event the FT Index closed at its lowest point, 6.7 down at 433.2.

Unilever was an unusually weak market, dipping 10p to

Company Sales fm Abwood Machine (1) 0.47(0.56) Beaton Clark (F) 22,4(20.6) BTR (F) 433.0(351.1) Barratt Devs (I) 102.0(75.4) James Fisher (F) 12,8(10.6) R Green Props (I) 2,1(2.4)

at 360p. Falls of a couple of pence were witnessed in Glaxo at 244p, Beecham at 116p, Pil-

kington Bros at 211p and BATs shed 3p to 233p. While jobbers were able to report some good buyers about among the majors, the general lack of interest tended to push prices lower. BP finished 4p off at 346p closely followed by Shell 12p lower at 358p and Ultramar which shed a similar

amount to 484p.

Burmah drifted 10p to 194p,
Tricentrol 12p to 264p and
Lasmo 15p to 428p. Among the more speculative issues Viking held up fairly well after the latest proposed bid of 450p from Mr Bunker-

Hunt, which keld the share price steady at 1050p, but sell-ing knocked 52p from Siebens at 525p. Aran Knergy, bottoming out after its recent cash call to shareholders, closed

unchanged at 350p.

The weakness in oils soon spread to companies with North Sea interests. Imperial Continental Gas rumbled 28p to 700p. International Thomson 15p to 429p. Associated Newspapers 8p

Latest results

Earnings

per share —(—) 33.1(60.2) 30.7(24.6)

24.9(18.0) 3.35(2.67) 19.3(14.6†)

**Profits** 

Profits £m 0.03\*(0.035) 1.6(2.38) 57.2(40.1) 11.5(8.1) 3.3(2.2)

and a scrip issue from BTR saw the states recover an early loss ahead of the figures to close unchanged at 326p while in shipping improved full-year figures from James Fisher resulted in a 7p rise at 318p. Disappointing results clipped 1p from Beatson, Clark at 140p winde Invergordon closed un-changed at 221p after a useful profits increase but Pittard eased ip to 43p.

Reports that Bass Chartington was interested in the hotel side of Coral Leisure sparked some early interest but the lack of follow through saw the shares close the day only 1p up at 76p with Bass 3p off at 213p. The recent failure to regain its gaming licence and the ensuing redundancies resulting from the closure of its casinos clipped 7p from Ladbroke at

Channel Tunnel was again wanted in a thin market as hopes of an imminent bopes amouncement of a rail link continued to rise and pushed the shares up another 90p to

-(-) 8.4(7.0) 11.5(7.3)

--(--) 3.5(1.13)

Howard Tenens, which recently announced that its Better than expected profits' talks which might have led to a bid had broken down, staged a rally and hardened 1p to 72p along with Furness Withy, up 4p at 390p after the agreed bid on Friday from CY Tung. But De La Rue retreated 13p to 602p on profit taking and vague rumours of a rights issue being in the pipeline.

iowever, these rumours were lismissed in certain quarters: Banks remained on offer shead of the full year figures of Barclays later in the week Fears that the enormous profits rears that the enormous profits earned by the big four continued to arouse further uneasiness among dealers. In the event, Barclays at 413p, Midland at 323p and National Westminster at 316p all showed losses of 7p on the day.

But Lloyds managed to hold its fall down to 5p at 278p as

these rumours were

its fall down to 5p at 278p, as Royal Bank of Scotland, with figures out soon slipped, 3p to

Gold shares came in for more heavy selling from London and the Continent as the billion price plunged S51 to \$479 an ounce. Fears over the latest fall in sterling, the strength of the dollar and President Carter's latest inflation package, all con-tributed towards a rather hecric day's trading which was pre-dominately all one way.

In mining financials, Consoli-dated Gold Fields tumbled 20p to 457p, RTZ eased 17p to 343p and De Beers D'fd \$7/32 to \$8-29/32.

Equity turnover on March 14 was £94.999m (12,846 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Premier Cons. Shell, RTZ, Ultramat, BP, Burmah, Furness Withy, Lasmo and GEC.

## Second half downturn at Beatson, Clark

Beatson, Clark, the Rother11-3m against 1770,000, and the final dividending ham-based glass container menulacuner, saw its profits drop in and Mr Clark pinpointed the gress which withte the second half in line with exproblem as one of falling de of 43p, make a second pectations amounted at the inmand in the pharmaceutical ingress compared with

pared with the previous year's cent," he said.

for the current year record £2.38m. Mr David Clark, The group's exports were hit he had recently been the chairman, warned at the by the increased value of the by improved demand halfway stage that second half pound and sales rose by 10 per. With the share p results would be comparable with those of the first.

Trading profit, before depre
Clark pointed out.

pectations amounced at the in- mano in the group's con-terim stage when profits almost dustry for the group's con-increase as a sign of "Our original objective for performance later On turnover which rose by 8 "Our original objective for per cent to £22.4m; pre-tax 1979 was a 10 per cent increase profits were £1.6m for the year in bottle sales, but in the event ending December 29, 1979, com- we only improved by 2 per

ciation, which amounted to Despite the profit But he stressed too early to predict t

With the share p cent and the p/e rat

#### Pittard Group raises dividend

After raising profits by 64 per cent in the facet half, beether tanner Pitrard Group managed only a one-tenth increase in the

Sales growth was broadly maintained but first half stock profits were replaced by stock losses and the strength of sterling eroded export mergins and led to fiercer competition in the United Kingdom.

However, the 40 per cent in-crease in pretax profits to £1.49m in the year to December 31, on sales ahead from £16.0m to £23.6m, was accompanied by a 29 per cent rise in the year's

Hide prices, which account for over half the finished leather price, oscillated wildly throughout 1979, rising to a peak in May and then falling by around three-fifths by the end of the year. Stock losses for the year were at least £100,000 compared with a £200,000 profit in 1978.



Mr C. J. Pittard, chairman of Pittard Group

duced, working capital needs, but the cost of financing the higher prices for part of 1979 was reflected in the £400,000 rise in interest charges to £557,000 Year-end net debt was £655,000 higher at 38 per cent of shareholders' funds.

fered as sterling in still pushed up es per cent to £9m wi East becoming an i important area Der remains firm and a likely to provide growth opportunity rand should benefit recent acquisition, Leather, and from of the loss-making

The sale of the site could raise abo

But weaker deman tard's major customs ndustry, and increase penetration from competition suggest will do well to rais 1980. Down 1p at 430 yield 133 per cen fully taxed p/e ratio

#### **Options**

The traded options market continued to perform quietly yesterday and the total number of contracts remained at virtually the same as last Friday's level, at 369, compared with 365. The main business was in Courtaulds with 105 contracts. while Consolidated Gold Fields whose shares lost 20p to 457p with the drop in the bullion price, traded 102 contracts.

On the traditional options side, there was more activity as dealers reported that buyers were moving in to hold their positions until after the Budget when the account ends on April

Share Capital

Reserves

Liabilities

atter one year

Authorised - ordinary

shares of Dh100 each

Issued - ordinary shares

of Dh100 each fully paid

Profit and loss account

Shareholders' Funds

Current and deposit accounts

maturing within one year. including reserve for contingencies

Deposit accounts maturing

Accrued interest payable

acceptances and guarantees

on behalf of customers

and other accounts

Proposed dividend

Confirmed credits,

Principal Activity:

Results for the Year:

Share Capital:

Dh33,530,000 (Ú.S.\$8,965,000).

Invergordon profits top £4m

in profits of £4.18m before tax margins in the second half. The on sales of £24.4m in the year pretax margin on sales was 18 to December 31, compared with a profit of £2.46m on sales of £14.9m in the preceding nine

On an annualized basis, pretax profits have risen by 27 per cent while sales volume has shown an underlying increase of about a tenth. Most of the group's production is new fillings—a clear colourles, spirit which is sold to other blenders.

Price rises averaging about 4 per cent in the second half, combined with improved yields per cent in the second halt, doubled to give a year's total of dury but combined with improved yields 5.71p gross against 2.63p. But its order where new equipment has been the results, at 221p the yield is this is installed, contributed towards only 2.6 per cent and the p/e impact.

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**Dh000** 

500,000

200,000

16,100

216,660

1,552,324

45,356

37,675

966,300

The Bank carries on the business of international merchant banking, together with full retail banking facilities to

individuals, lirms, corporations and government departments.

In particular special emphasis is given to short and medium

term finance, promotion of import and export trade to and

from the United Arab Emirates, corporate finance services,

foreign exchange and money market transactions, short

currencies, investment banking and private placements.

After transfers to inner reserve and loan loss provision the

Bank declared a profit for its third reporting period of

The authorised capital of the Bank is U.A.E. Dirhams

and medium term lending in local and major world

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996,027

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19,054

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733,615

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per cent compared with 16.2 per cent in the first half.

Exports of the group's own blend grain whisky, which is shares have been the object of the property of the shares have been the object of the compared by the object of the compared by the compared

blend grain whisky, which is sold to own-brand whisky pro-ducers overseas, showed an annualized rise of a tenth to £5m. Invergordon sells in sterling and the rise of the pound not proved any great obstacle

The final dividend, like the interim, has been more than doubled to give a year's total of

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UNION BANK OF THE MIDDLE EAST LIMITED

**Balance Sheet at 31st December 1979** 

Cash, balances with banks.

repayable on demand and

Accrued interest receivable

Loans and advances repayable

Deposits with banks

Loans and advances

and other accounts

within one year

atter one year

Shareholders:

U.A.E. merchant community.

**Investment securities** 

Premises and equipment

Liabilities of customers

acceptances and guarantees

500 million (U.S. \$134 million). During the year, the Bank

consisted of 1,600,000 shares of Dh100 each fully paid.

As at 31st December 1979, the issued share capital

issued 8,000 shares of Dh100 each for cash consideration.

A bonus issue of shares has been proposed by the Directors

on a 1 for 4 basis to existing shareholders at 31st December

reserve, giving a total paid-up share capital of Dh200 million

1979 by the appropriation of Dh40,000,000 from general

(U.S. 553 million) maintaining the Bank's position as the

The major shareholders of the Bank are Abdul Wahab Bin Ebrahim Galadan, Abdulla Hassan Rostamani, and Saudi

Arab Finance Corporation S.A. In addition, there are

approximately 130 other shareholders drawn from the

largest share-capitalised bank in the U.A.E.

for confirmed credits,

money at call and short notice

charge is 11.5. Invergordon is 76 per cent

persistent bid rumours. However, chairman Mr Leon Roydon dismisses such talk. 1980, For 1980, Mr Roydon expects Invergordon to continue

share in the growth of the whisky industry. The forth-coming Budget may well in-clude substantial rises in excise duty but for Invergordon, with its orders for new fillings for 1980 already signed and sealed. this is unlikely to have any

31.12.79

Dh000

320,777

56,061

1,394,330

17,606

39,442

15,759

8,040

966,300

1,852,015 1,288,707

2,818,315 2,022,322

1,788,774 1,240,546

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Dh000

311,842

43,208

869,166

11,330

26,429

13,990

7,742

733,615

turnover fell from \$2.44m to \$2.16m in the half-year to December 31, pretax profits rose from 5591,000 to £742,000. Interim

Rivoli Cinemas: Turnover for six months to October 5 up from 584,000 to £92,000 and pretax profits from £45,000 to £69,000. Unlock Holdings is offering 440 10p shares for each £1 share in Ergonom International Holdings. Unilock shares are trading on the over-the-counter market at 48p, which puts a value on Ergonom of £1.08m. The enlarged group should have pretax profits of about £2m in a year, even before the merger benefits are realised. Riveli Cinemas: Turnover for six

ing) will be operational from

from 1.3p to 1.5p. Morgan Grentell: The Export Credits Guarantee Department has guaranteed a £5m line of credit which Morgan Grentell has mude

Jones.
Gleves Group: At the extraordinary general meeting of the Gieves Group held on March 17, 1980, the resolutions to effect the proposed reconstruction were passed. The meeting was adjourned until March 31, 1980 on which date the formal resolution to pur the company into members' voluntary liquidation will be considered.

#### **Briefly**

Green Properties:

C. E. Heath is forming a new company, C. E. Heath (LMX). The company, a subsidiary of C. E. Heath (Reinsurance Brok-

Montagu Boston Investment Trust reports revenue, after all charges, for year to January 31 of £151,000 (£129,000). Gross dividend raised

which Morgan Grentell has made available to the National Bank of Hungary. This is the minth ECGD-backed line of credit made available by Morgan Grenfell to the National Bank since 1970. The loan will help finance a wide range of United Kingdom capital conds and associated expires congoods and associated services con-tracts placed in the United King-dom by Hungarian buyers.

dom by Hungarian buyers.

Holzmann Group: Revising earlier predictions of little-changed 1979 profits compared to DM19.2m (about £4.5m) earned in 1978, Philipp Holzmann AG, the West German heavy construction group, says it expects 1979 earnings to exceed the 1978 profit.—AP-Dow Innes. Iones.

John Brown: New York, March 17.—John Brown and Co said its tender offer for Leesona Corp at \$40 a share expired on March 14 bringing in about 1.27m in Leesona shares or about 70.35 per cent.—Reuter.

## Record quarterly profit for Son

Sony of Japan announced yesterday that its consolidated net profit in the first quarter to January 31 was a record 19,527m yen, up sharply from 4,412m yen in the same period a year earlier.

The net profit in the first quarter topped the entire net profit of 17,700m yen in the previous fiscal year. Sales rose 47.6 per cent to 221,962m yen from 150,341m. A Sony official attributed the

increases mainly to the brisk sales of video tape recorders

and related products, as well as those of other main electric

International

Although foreign exchange losses almost doubled to 4,065m yen, mainly because of the yen's depreciation, the healthy growth in sales eliminated the

#### Steel helps Krupp to profit

Fried Krupp GmbH of West 1978, of which third party sales Germany expects to show a pro-fit on the group's operations in 1979 compared with a loss of DM122m (about £28.8m) in 1978, according to the chairman, Herr

Heinz Petry.
This is based on the expectation of a balanced result on steelmaking activities, the first since 1974, he said.

Krupp announced world group sales of DM14.26bn in 1979 against DM13.32bn in rose to DM12.79bn DM11.90bn Herr Petry said the improved result comes after consolidation

activities in progress since 1975. The funds raised since Iran's acquisition of a 25 per cent stake in Krupp's DM700m basic capital have been used for internal group consolidation and not for the purchase of new companies or of stakes in other

#### Sandoz net profit rises

Sandoz increased its consoli-tion dated net profit by 10.9 per cent to 173m. Swiss francs (£43m) in 1979 from 156m france in the previous year, improving its profitability rate to 3.9 per cent from 3.6 per

tion measures and price increases helped profits, Sandoz said. However, the company added that worldwide inflation-ary pressures could only be partly offset by higher selling

An unchanged dividend of 65 cent a year earlier.

A more favourable foreign for each participation certificate has been proposed.

#### Bayer turnover up 14 pc

World turnover for the Bayer group rose 14 per cent to a preliminary DM26,000m, board chairman Herr Rerbert Gruenewald said in a weekend speech.

He said that 1979 had been a
good year for Bayer despite
rises in the price of oil and other raw materials and cited the continuing strength of the West German economy as well as favourable capacity utilization.

Turnover for the parent com-pany, Bayer AG, also grew by about DM11,500m, according to preliminary figures. Investments for the Bayer group were about DM2,000m in 1979, said Herr Gruenewald, up from DM1,700m in 1978.

The group recorded pretax income of DM1.240m in 1978 and the parent company showed world profit after tax of

dollar exchange rate
It did not disclose ted consolidated n but said the present October 1977. Airline improve The French priv-

yen, up 18 per 46,512m yen. Export per cent to 145,820m

85,829m yen.
Sony said it e

net income for the october 31, provided

Union de Transpor (UTA) has report profit for the 197 year of 39.4m frant up from 35.3m in 19 Turnover rose by cent to 3,188m fr 2,862m. The airline tends to pay a net (\_ 10.30 francs a share up from 9.40 francs

Banque Worms Banque Worms, a ) for 1979 of 45.2 (£4.7m), an increase cent on the 36m fram

for 1978. The 1979 figure inc francs of non-recurri gains, up from 3m ; fore. The bank inter tribute a net divident francs a share, up francs for 1978.

Sofina proposal The Belgian holding Sofina has proposed dividend increase for 235 Belgian francs a Sofina, with a capite than 3,000m francs, reportfolio of diversifi ferable securities, pri the energy engines finance sectors.

Bahrain banking Total assets of Babi Store banks rose by S29.2bn in Januar S27.8bn in December, rain Monetary Agenc

Business appointm

## Clydesdale Bank jumps by 50 pc

cedent set by London clearing banks and reported a 50 per cent rise in profits. For the year to last December pretax profits have soared from £20.7m to £30.86m and after tax were up from £9.28m to £15.79m. The dividend has been lifted from 23.5 to 26 per cent. As Clydesdale is more heavily involved in the domestic market than the London clearers, it has benefited more from the high domestic interest rates and this is reflected in

rates and this is reflected in the figures.

In line with the policy of the Midland Group, freehold and leasehold properties with more than 100 wars to me. than 100 years to run, have been professionally revalued. This has thrown up a surplus of £16.67m to be added to reserves. After payment of £1.67m in dividends, the retained profit for the year is £14.1m and overall reserves are up from £58.87m to £89.66m.

#### Best-ever results by Kodak UK

Sales and earnings by Kudak Ltd. of the United Kingdom reached record levels in 1979. At £285m, sales by Kodak and its subsidiaries were up 13 per cent, mainly because of increased volume. Sales within the United Kingdom at £176m, were 12 per cent higher than 1978.

ernment regional development grants of £1.4m will be received. This compares with £16m spent on capital projects in 1978. Capital expenditure of £22m £23m has been earmarked for

The board says the loss was due to the detrimental effects the engineering strike in

#### Big turnsound into loss at Stothert

and Pitt, slumped into a pretax loss of £926,000 in the 28 weeks to January 12, compared with a profit of £709,000 in the same period last year. Turnover dropped from £17.44m to £12.41m. There is no interim dividend for shareholders (against 3.95p gross last time) and the final-which was 12p Export sales rose by 15 per (against 3.95p gross last time) cent to £109m despite lower and the final-which was 12p prices necessitated by the last year-must wait on the full strengthening of sterling. Net year's results,

The board estimates that the engineering strike last autumn caused £350,000 of the loss and the fall of 29 per cent in sales revenue almost entirely resulted from a decline in the grane business. But the board believes that actions already taken will result in a progressive recovery over the next 18 months.

#### \* Exciting future \* for Provident Financial

"It is difficult to be very Provident Financial Group, in his annual report to share,

High levels of unemployment, high interest rates and high-levels of inflation combine to produce low profits in a group so dependent on consumer credit activities, the chairman says, but continues: "I nevertheless believe that your company has an exciting and profitable future."

#### Italmobiliare

Italmobiliare, a holding com-pany which until last year was 100 per cent controlled by Italcementi, has taken over control of a majority share-bolding in Italcementi.

An Italmobiliare statement said the company's board agreed at the end of last month to acquire 50.22 per cent of Italcementi's ordinary capital.

Reuter, Milan.

#### Coutts & name director

Mr David Macdonald made a director of Coultile is a deputy chairman Samuel & Co. and a director of general of The Panel. Mr Alastair Davidresian from the Courts. Mr Eayan Hawkins the appointed managing director in the Commerce.

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who is to redre after !:
Mr Young joins the Coris
on April 1. He is chait
Manufacturers Hanover !

Geigy's United Kingdom insurance department, 2 J. A. Brewer, a director of have been appointed to fit of CIBA-Geigy (Insurance vices). Mr F. W. Hutchinselfred from the board. Mr James E. Sweeter aging director of E. F. Hi. Company (London) has be aging director of E. r. r. Company (London) has be pointed a member of the directors of the London modify Exchange: He is the company of the London modify Exchange: He is the company of the longon o president of E. F. H. Company In New York.

Clydesdale Bank, the Scottish earnings rose by 14 per cent to part of the Midland Bank £20.2m.

Group, has followed the prejects totalled \$17m against which it is estimated that Gov-

#### Interim loss at Abwood Tools

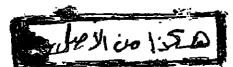
In the six months to September 30, 1979, Dartford-based Abwood Machine Tools Askinge Tools slumped into a pretax loss of £39,000, compared with a profit of £35,000 for the similar period of 1978. Turnover was down from £563,000 to £478,000.

August and September other factors associated sales and administration,

#### Engineering group, Stothert

Services. Mr Michael Paterson happointed a director of the Metal Company.

Mr C. Radley, manager Geigy's United Kingdom



#### **ENCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS**

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latest deal would have cost NC E850,000. Mr Graham Lacey's National Carbonising has bought a further 240,000 shares in Hamprurrner 240,000 shares in Hampton Gold Mining Areas to take
its stake up to 1.66 million
shares, 29.9 per cent of the
equity.

NC first bought almost 26 per cent of Hampton last week, largely from the Australian Bond Corporation, paying 325p a share. The total cost, including 100,000 shares bought in the

marker, was about £4.8m. of 363p. Sp up on the day, the in the business.

brick-making company that is 53 per cent owned by Mr Lacey's Birmingham and Midland Counties Trust, is expected to return from suspension "about midweek". Details will then he announced of the fore-At last night's closing price shadowed "dramatic changes"

#### DCM in Aurora sell-off

The board of Dunbee- paying for the shares has not Combex-Marx International in been disclosed.

The Netherlands has accepted But Mr N. J. The Netherlands has accepted an offer for the shares of the Aurora companies in Canada. Singapore and The Netherlands. The share purchase has the approval of the DCM receiver in London, who was appointed last month when the group in London, who was appointed last month when the group announced that it could not meet its liabilities under guarantees of the overseas companies, debre ranies' debts.

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have not been released, turn-over was more than £150m and profits in the United Kingdom several million

#### Profits jump at J Fisher

After tax of £124,000, compared with £64,000; the attributable profit is £3.2m against butable profit is exprises per The shares rose 7p yesterday £2.2m to give earnings per The si share of £24.92p against 18.04p. to 318p.

By Our Financial Staff
Ship owners and insurance brokers James Fisher and Sons increased pretax profits by 47.5 per cent in 1979 on turnover up by 21 per cent.
Profits rose from £2.25m to £3.3m and turnover from £10.6m to £12.8m. The board are proposing a one-for-one scrip issue.

The final dividend is 2.86p making a total of 5p gross compared with 1.62p.
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#### Wall Street

New York, March 17.—The New York Stock Exchange suffered its worst one-day fall since last October as investors gave President Carter's and inflation package a vote of no confidence. The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 23.04 points to 788.65, its lowest level since December, 1978.

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Yesterday's Wall Street and Canadian closing prices will appear tomorrow. Later publication is caused by the change to British Summer Time. This will continue until Eastern Daylight Time begins in the United States.

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#### Commodities

#### Discount market

Credit conditions tightened markedly vesterday, and the Bank of England was required to give large-scale assistance before books could be ruled off at the end of the day. The authorities bought a moderate amount of Treasury bills and a small quantity of local authority bills both from houses and banks, and also lent a small sum overnight to four or five houses at 17 per cent MLR.

Secured loan rates, which had hovered at about 162 per cent for much of the session, eased slightly to 161-2 per cent for closing balances following the help.

The market were up against a moderate excess of Revenue transfers to the Exchequer (which included a sizeable figure in respect of tobacco tax) over Government disbursements, a small net take-up of Treasury bills, and balances that had come across the weekend a small way below target. Note circulation fell by a small amount.

**Money Market** Rates



Finance House Base Rate 18%

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#### Foreign exchange report

President Carter's tough antiinflation package, coupled with the
rising trend of US prime rates,
acted as a tonic for the dollar
yesterday and sharp gains occurred
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operators closed costly short positions as Euro-dollar rates reached
20 per cent in places.

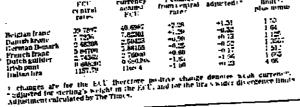
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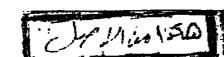
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9.25 Rebecca: Excellent dramatiza-

all those movies allegedly based on the works of Edgar Allan Poe-and

his grave. 11.10 Platform One: As if he didn't have enough platforms, Len Mur-ray, of the TUC, gets another one.

7.00 Charlie's Angels: What more

8.00 Armchair Thriller: Episode 3 8.00 Armchair Turnier: Episode 3
of High Tide. Interesting to compare this with the work of the old
master Francis Durbridge, now
reaching its climax on BBC 1 on

8.30 Leave It to Charlie: Charlie

and grab the swag to ann Riffi.

12.25 am Close: Leslie Crowther reads Wilfrid Owen's poem Anthem for Doomed Youth.

Regions

# PERSONAL CHOICE

Davies, the woman in question in Yesterday's 1 America on BBC 2 at 9.25

, it has been said, is the tragedy that happens to other has also been said that laughter is often associated as also been said that laughter is often associated and the expression of anxiety. I wonder, then, how denfreude is involved in the new comedy series y Life, which begins this evening on BBC 1 (8.30) is of Ken Archer, made redundant after 25 years of the deserted by his wife for a much younger man, the new effecting who is named another who is th one offspring who is punk and another who is and in sum a potential suicide. Sounds like a nute, doesn't it? "Very much black comedy". iter, Jim Eldridge. "Ken Archer discovers that life or predictable and that he can't opt out when difficult. So he has to find a way of surviving." difficult. So he has to find a way of surviving, aps it is good for us to laugh at the disasters which iting to strike. Or perhaps such laughter is a sign ce. It is worth remembering, though, that the RBC has tack of striking gold in unpromising strata and Son". "I Didn't Know You Cared", ne Summer Wine". Unless it's just fools' gold.

t to laugh at but a great deal to admire about Rebecca, es to BBC 1 tonight (9.25). Hugh Whitemore's ion of Daphne Du Maurier's classic mystery story has of an elastic band drawn slowly out to breaking point: e is gentle but relentless and the final case is both. e is gentle but relentless and the final snap is both re is genue out reientiess and the rinal shap is both and painful. Splendid performances from Jeremy Brett le Winter—the wealthy, civilized, charming widower idful secret—and from Joanna David as the plain, phan girl who becomes the second chatelaine of and is gradually made aware of a baleful influence hen the serial was shown on BBC 2 I watched not only ich the serial was shown on bloc p a material bad je but also each repeat episode just in case I had thing. If that sounds like a recommendation, it is.

humour again with A Touché of Thurber (Radio 4, everyone laughs at James Thurber, but I'm an addict. ie original text of The Secret Life of Walter Mitty.

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## Broadcasting Guide

TELEVISION

Edited by David Sinclair

4.25 Jackanory: Paul Copley con-

4.40 Lassie: New series of dramas featuring the dog that's been loved by children for generations.

5.35 Paddington: Animated hear

5.40 News with Peter Would:
5.55 Nationwide: It's the night
we've all been waiting for—the
final of "The Most Glamorous
Grandmother in Great Britain"
contest. Judges are Carol Chanming, Liza Goddard and Frankle

6.55 Droopy: Cartoon.
7.05 One Mere Time! The television version of Sing Something Simple. Makes the living room seem like the public bar of a Satur-

day night (r).
7.35 Life on Earth: The First Forests. David Attenborough explains how primitive animals came to terms with life on land and how flowers came into the picture. This really is a splendid programme.
8.30 Time of My Life: New comedy series about a man who loses his

series about a man who loses his jub and his wife...that's funny? (see Personal Choice).

9.00 News with Peter Woods.

mark. All part of the great Euro-

pean ideal, no doubt. 8.00 Change of Direction: Jerry

Rawlings. He was a flight lieutenant in the Ghanaian air force.

then he was head of state, now he's been kicked out of both jobs. Some

5.00 John Craven's Newscound.

.05 Rentaghost: Episode 4.

5.40 News with Peter Would.

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#### BBC I

6.40 am Open University: 6.40 Special Relativity: 7.05 Metals and the Electromagnetical Series; 7.20 Computing-Algorithms. down at 7.55.

9.35 For Schools, Colleges: 9.35 Out of the Past—Georgian England (r); 9.53 Maths in a Box (Plum Crazy); 10.16 Look and Read (The Boy from Space, 9); 10.38 Resource Units 11-13 (English) Resource Units 11-13 (English)
11.00 Watch—Dinocause (r): 11.17
Television Club (r): 11.38 Shakesneare in Perspective (The Tempest): 12.05 pm General Studies (r). Closedown at 12.30. 12.45 News.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One: Nancy Kominsky continues her series Painting Made Easy, and there is more advice in Family Matters. 1.45 Trumpton: Papper series (r). 2.00 You and Me: The Surprise Friend (r).
2.14 For Schools, Colleges: 2.14
Encounter: Germany (r): 2.40
Home Economics (r). Closedown

3.25 Dechrau Siarad: Learning Welsh.
3.55 Play School: The story is
Alvin Tresselt's It's Time Now! 4.20 Yogi Bear: Cartoon (r).

7.05 am Open University: Coal and the 19th Century; 7.30 Frank Lloyd Wright, Closedown at 7.55. 11.00 Play School: Same as BBC 1 at 3.55 Cinsedown at 11.25. at 3.55 Cinsedown at 11.25.
4.50 pm Open University: Maths—
Orthogonal Bases: 5.15 The Nature of Digital Computing; 5.40 Mathematical Functions; 6.05 Reading Development: 6.30 Spreading Oceans; 6.55 Who's a Clever Boy? Strictly for the birds, this one featuring a macaw, a parrot, a magpie and of course, a budgle.

7.05 News with subtitles for the 7.05 News with subtitles for the 7.20 Europeans: Eric Robinson compares education in Britain with the system in France and Denhard of hearing.

THAMES

change.
8.30 Writers and Places: Frederic Raphael (of Ghttering Pries) recalls, narurally enough, his days at Cambridge.
9.00 Not the Least of Not the Nine O'Clock News: Repeat of the sattre—I use the word reluctantly—thows highlights as a curtain-raiser to a new series. It never caught on with me. I think for once I prefer the Nine O'Clock News.

qui7. 4.15 Pop Gospel. 4.45 Magpie.

5.15 Emmerdale Farm: Can Jue Sugden really go to America?



#### Friends: The one-time king of skif-fle. later novelty records (Does Your Chewing Gum Lose Its Fla-tour on the Bedpost Overnight?) reappears in concert at Ipswich. 10.45 Newsnight. 11.30 The Old Grey Whistle Test: A far cry from Lonnie Donegan— the Photos and Original Mirrors. Well, perhaps not all that far. Witness 9.25 Yesterday's 3.45 Three Little Words: Word, 6.00 Thames News with Andrew Gardner. 6.25 Help! with Joan Shenton. 6.35 Crossroads: Miranda Pollard and Jill Harvey have something to say to each other about Adam



Martin Cochrane (TTV, 1.30)

Radio 4 6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today.

6.30 Today. .00, 8.00 News 7.30. 8.30 Headlines. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.

9.00 News. 9...5 Rebecca: Excellent dramatiza-tion of Daphne Du Maurier's story (see Personal Choice). 10.20 Hollywood's Wild Angel: Omnibus filmed portrait of Roger Corman, the man responsible for all thuse movies allegable based on 9.05 Tuesday Call. 10.00 News. 10.05 In Britain Now.

10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 Once Upon an Ice Age (2). 11.00 News. a lot more besides. It was Cor-man, after all, who discovered Jack Nitholson, Martin Scor-ese and Francis Ford Coppola, Never-theless, E.A.P. must be turning in 11.05 Play: Total Security.

11.35 Local Edition. 12.00 News. 12.02 pm You and Yours. 12.20 Down Your Way.

12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One. 1.40 The Archers.

2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour.

3.00 News. 3.02 Listen with Mother. 3.15 Women in Love (3)† 4.10 Bookshelf.

4.45 Story: Run for the Money. 5.00 PM. 5.55 Weather. 6.00 News. 6.30 A Touché of Thurber.† 7.00 News.

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South West, This Way Up West, Sports
Show. 11.45 pm Glose.

dent.
9.30 Kaleidoscope.
10.00 The World Tonight.
19.30 The Hornblower Story.†
11.00 A Book at Bedtime.
11.15 Financial World Tonight.

America: The very popular series noes transatlantic now, and the first one has all the ingredients of success. It tells of the love affair between the slightly nutry newspaper tycoon William Randolph Hearst and the obscure chorus girl Marion Davies, whom he wanted to make into a Hollyward star. Ben Lyon is among those who reminisce.

10.15 Lonnie Donegan and Friends: The one-time king of skirfle. later novelty recurds (Does .50 am Regional news, weather. 6.50 am Regional news, weather.
7.50 Regional news, weather.
9.05-10.30 Schools: Music Intelede;
Voix de France; Deutsch für die
Oberstufe; The World of Work;

7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 The Restless Years (9).
8.05 In Touch.
8.30 Choirs of Wales (3)†
9.15 Form Our Own Correspon-

11.30 Today in Parliament. 12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Weather.

10.45-12.00 Schools: La France Aujourd'hui: Let's Move; Muste Club; Introducing Science. 2.00pm-3.00 Schools: History—Not 2.00pm-3.00 Schools: History—Not So Long Ago; Days That Made History: Stories and Rhymes. 5.50 Regional news, weather. 11.00 Study on 4: Por aqui (20). 11.30-12.10 am Open University: Renaissance and Reformation;

RADIO

Batty Langley. Radio 3 6.55 am (mw only) Weather.

7.00 News.
7.05 Records: Tippett, Gibbons. Radio 1
5.00 am As
Pechles. 9.0 8.00 News. 8.05 Records: Widmann, Brahms.

9.00 News. 9.05 Week's Composer: Holst.† 10.00 The Trio-Sonata.† 11.00 Songs (Rolfe Johnson), pt 1: Schumann (Liederkreis).†
11.25 Interval reading.
11.30 Songs, pt 2: Strauss,

11:30 Sept. Britten.†
12:25 pm BBC Northern SO/Krent, pt 1: Mussorgsky, Debussy (Mer).†
1:00 News.
1:05 Six Continents: World news.
1:25 BBCNSO, pt 2: Wolf, Ravel.†
2:10 German baroque cantatas and sonatas.† 3.00 Piano: Stevenson (Passacag-

3.00 Plano: Stevenson
1.01,†
4.25 Jazz Today.†
4.55 News.
5.00 (mw and mono only from
6.20): Music for early evening.†
7.00 Record: Saint-Saëns.†
7.30 Play: Buffet, by Rhys Adrian.†
8.35 Record: Sallinen (Sym 3).†
8.00 Talk: The Mysteries.
9.10 Northern Sinfonia Orch/Parikian: Mozart, Bach, Haydn (Sym 36).†

36):†
10.20 Childhood's Pattern: songs.†
10.50 Music in Our Time: Howard,
Wing-Fai, Sculthorpe, Lam.†
11.55-12.00 News.

VHF
6.00-7.00 am Open University:
Curriculum Design and Development; Why Self-Sufficiency?;
Reading Development.
6.20-7.00 pm Open University: Personality and Learning; Maths—lutegration.

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5.00 am News, weather, 5.03 Ray
Moore,† 7.32 Terry Wogan,† 10.03
Jimmy Young,† 12.03 pm David
Hamilton,† 2.03 Ed Stewart,÷ 4.03
Much More Music,† 5.00 News,
5.05 Waggoners' Walk, 5.20 Much' a
More Music,† 6.03 Derek Hobson,†
8.02 Hubert Gregg, 9.02 GlamorousNights,† 9.55 Sports Desk, 10.02
Frankie Howerd, 11.02 Brian
Matthew, 2.02-5.00 am You and the
Night and the Music,† Radio 2

5.00 am As Radio 2. 6.00 Andy Peebles. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.31 Paul Burnett. 2.00 pm Dave Lee Travis. 4.31 Kid Jensen. 7.00 Per-sonal Call. 8.00 Mike Read. 9.50 Newsbeat. 10.00 John Peel.† 12.00-5.00 am As Radio 2. VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2. 10.00 pm With With Radio 2, 10.00 pm With Radio 1, 12.00-5.00 am With Radio

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9.00 Bollywood: Trick of the Light. How the early cameramen achieved their astonishing effects. Yorkshire 10.00 News. 10.30 The Burglars: Omar Sharif, 10.30 The Burglars: Omar Sharit, Jean-Pani Belmondo and Dyan Cannon (for the second night running) in a glossy 1970 thriller about a jewel gang and the policeman who intends to outwit them and grab the swag for himself. It's no Pifffi

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Scottish As London except: 1.20 pm Scotlish
News. 1.30 Selvym 5.15 Tales of
Crime. 5.20 Cassnoads. 8.00 Scotland
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7.00 Take the High Road. 7.30 Father.
Disar Father Stronge Affair (Michael
York, Susan George).

As London except: 10.16 am Hop. Skip and Jump. 1.20 pm Linchtune. 4.13 Uister News. 5.15 Cartoon. 5.20 Crossroads. 6.00 Good Evening Uister. 7.00 Evening Linch Their England. 10.30 Film: The Twelve Chairs. 12.15 am Bedlime.

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News. 8.00 About Anglia. 7.00
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12.15 am Anthology. ATV

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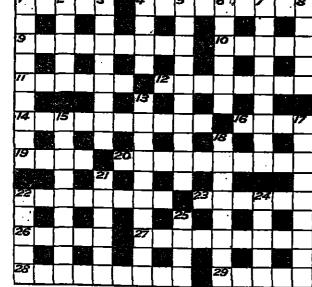
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4 Question of illegal republicans in the country (4).

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